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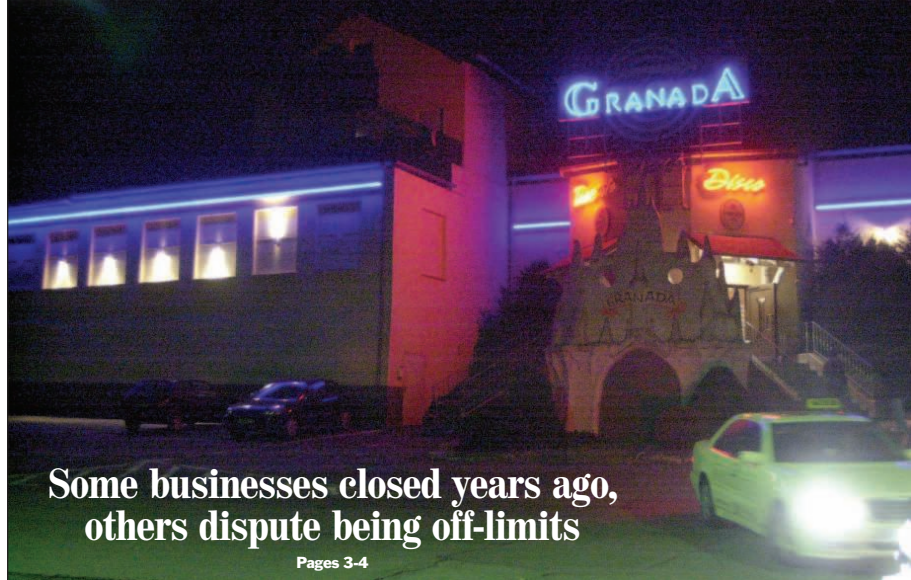
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# Confusion surrounds USAREUR blacklist



**Some businesses closed years ago,  
others dispute being off-limits**

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TERRY BOYD/Stars and Stripes

USAREUR's recent release of a list of local establishments deemed off-limits to U.S. personnel has raised questions. The majority of businesses listed in the Kaiserslautern-Ramstein area are closed — some haven't been around in decades. Others, like the Granada Disco in Idar-Oberstein, claim they had been removed from the list. The Granada, in fact, is heavily promoting a "soldiers' night" party on Friday.

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## News Tracker ... What's new with old news

## States

**Donaldson ranch killings:** A 14-year-old boy accused of killing his family on newsmen Sam Donaldson's ranch in New Mexico will be tried in children's court, a judge has ruled.

Cody Posey, 14, is charged with fatally shooting his stepfather, his stepmother and his father, who managed Donaldson's Chavez Canyon Ranch.

The teenager still could be subject to adult penalties if convicted, District Attorney Scott Key said. Prosecutors have filed a notice in court to preserve the option of seeking an adult sentence.

Posey's relatives say he suffered years of verbal and physical abuse. Posey told police he shot his family after his father slapped him for not cleaning horse stalls fast enough, according to an affidavit.

**Nader ballot quest:** The Arkansas Supreme Court on Friday granted independent presidential candidate Ralph Nader a place on Arkansas' ballot for the Nov. 2 general election.

The court ruling overturned a circuit court judge's order to election officials that would have kept Nader's name off the ballot.

In Pennsylvania, meanwhile, the state Commonwealth Court delayed a decision on Nader's request to place his name on that state's ballot to provide time to examine petition signatures.

**Protesting nuns:** Lawyers for three pacifist nuns sent to prison for causing minor damage at a missile site told a Denver appeals court Friday the women should not have been convicted of sabotage because they did not impair national defense.

The three-judge panel of the 10th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals asked several questions indicating doubt about whether the damage the nuns caused could have stepped a missile from launching.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Jim Murphy conceded the operation of the missile had not been disrupted but said soldiers had to be diverted from a training exercise to deal with the nuns.

**Cross-burning trial:** A man who burned a cross on a black family's lawn was sentenced Friday to more than three years in federal prison.

Christopher Easley, 22, of Anderson, Calif., had pleaded guilty to conspiracy to violate civil rights and interference with housing rights. Easley and a 16-year-old boy set the cross on fire last Jan. 2 in an attempt to intimidate the occupants of the home, prosecutors said.

**Shuttle flight postponed:** The first shuttle flight since the Columbia tragedy has been pushed back by NASA because hurricane damage and implementation of new safety measures made a spring 2005 launch "no longer achievable."

March or April had been the tentative date selected by NASA's spacecraft council, which announced the delay Friday.

**Church bombing:** An Alabama appeals court Friday unanimously upheld ex-Ku Klux Klansman Bobby Frank Cherry's murder conviction and life sentences for a 1963 church bombing that killed four black girls in Birmingham.

The Alabama Court of Criminal Appeals rejected Cherry's argument that the 37-year delay between the crime and his indictment in 2000 was unfair.

Cherry, 74, was convicted in May 2002 and is serving four consecutive life sentences.

## Military

**Air Force Academy scandal:** The first



**Israeli-Palestinian conflict:** An Israeli soldier stands on his military vehicle at the Israeli army staging area Saturday on the border of the Gaza Strip at Kibbutz Mefalim, Israel. Israeli troops killed seven Palestinian gunmen Saturday, as the military expanded one of its largest offensives against Palestinian militants in four years. In a show of defiance, Hamas' secretive military wing, Izzedine al-Qassam, held its first-ever news conference in Jebel al-Batal — the refugee camp at the center of Israel's offensive — vowing to resist the Israeli assault and threatening to fire rockets at the Israeli city of Ashkelon.

woman to oversee instruction at the Air Force Academy assumed her new duties Friday following confirmation by the Senate.

Brig. Gen. Dana H. Born, nominated by President Bush in July, succeeds Brig. Gen. David A. Wagie, who was criticized last year by a congressional panel for failing to recognize the academy's growing problem of sexual assault.

Wagie, dean of faculty since 1998, was cleared by the Pentagon of any wrongdoing. He retired Aug. 1.

## Business

**Enron CFO resigns:** The man who became Enron Corp.'s chief financial officer only a month after the energy giant declared bankruptcy has resigned.

Raymond M. Bowen, 44, submitted his resignation, effective Friday, "to pursue other professional opportunities," said Enron spokeswoman Jennifer Lowmyer.

Bowen was also Enron's treasurer, a position he took shortly before Enron filed for Chapter 11 protection in December 2001.

## World

**Yugoslav war crimes trial:** A prominent Belgrade journalist testified Friday at a landmark war crimes trial that he believed the 1991 massacre of nearly 200 Croat prisoners was not orchestrated by the former Yugoslav army, as alleged, but instead was carried out by Serb volunteers.

Eighteen low-ranking Serb soldiers are on trial on charges of executing 192 Croat soldiers and civilians held at a pig farm in Ovchara, near the eastern Croatian town of Vukovar, following the town's capture by the Yugoslav army in 1991.

**Nigeria oil dispute:** A militia leader who threatened to launch an offensive on Nigeria's vital oil industry made a triumphant return to his southern stronghold Saturday, a

day after agreeing a tentative deal in the capital to disarm his fighters.

About 1,000 people turned out at the airport in the oil city of Port Harcourt to welcome Moujahid Dokubo-Asari, and hundreds more lined the roads into the city. As he stepped out of a government plane, his supporters lifted him on their shoulders and burst into song.

After three days of talks in the capital, Abuja, Dokubo-Asari agreed Friday to disarm his fighters but said he would continue a political struggle for regional autonomy and a greater share of oil wealth.

**Yusuf Islam entry battle:** Lawyers for the singer once known as Cat Stevens said Friday that they have asked American officials



Islam

to remove his name from a "no fly" list.

The musician, now a peace activist named Yusuf Islam, was expelled from the United States last week after authorities diverted his London-to-Washington flight to Maine to remove him, saying he was suspected of ties to terrorism.

The Carter-Ruck law firm said it had asked the U.S. government to explain why it considered Islam a security risk.

**Afghan election:** About 340,000 Afghan refugees in Pakistan have signed up so far to vote in historic presidential elections in their homeland on Oct. 9, but only about a fifth of them are women, organizers said Saturday.

The International Organization for Migration said it was satisfied with the response, but urged conservative communities to encourage more women to take part in Afghanistan's first democratic election after two decades of war.

Stories and photo from wire services

# Most off-limits sites no longer operating

## Some included in USAREUR list closed decades ago

By Terry Boyd  
Stars and Stripes

KAISERSLAUTERN, Germany — More often than not, it's easy for troops to comply with U.S. Army Europe's consolidated off-limits list — most of the blacklisted businesses in the Kaiserslautern/Ramstein complex of U.S. bases haven't existed for years, even decades in some cases.

The latest USAREUR biannual list of off-limits businesses — dated July 23 — lists 24 entities ranging from bordellos and insurance agencies to contractors. A few are open and it's clear why they're on the list. The Bong Head Shop in Frankfurt, for example, sells drug paraphernalia. And three nightclubs on the list are still open.

Otherwise, not a single business on the list still is operating in the Ramstein/Kaiserslautern area, based on research conducted by Stars and Stripes.

The list is meant to keep soldiers and civilians out of bars with reputations for trouble such as fights, and away from businesses that sell contraband goods or that take advantage of Americans, according to USAREUR officials.

Moreover, the USAREUR list applies to all servicemembers and civilians in the U.S. European Command.

But just how useful the list remains unclear.

USAREUR officials submitted documents explaining the mechanics of why and how companies and people are blacklisted. But after repeated requests, they failed to allow Stars and Stripes to interview anyone who could speak about the list or the closed businesses.

However, Millie Waters, spokeswoman for the Installation Management Agency-Europe, said that based on Stars and Stripes' research, IMA-Europe "is looking into this matter and will update any of our documents or procedures as may be needed."

USAREUR officials also referred Stars and Stripes to U.S. Air Forces in Europe officials in Ramstein.

USAFE and Kaiserslautern military community officials told Stars and Stripes that each Air Force installation has its own list of off-limits establishments, but those lists don't necessarily circulate to Army personnel.

Moreover, a business may be on one list, but not the other. For example, the Paradox Club in Ramstein-Miesenbach has been removed from the Air Force list, but remains on the USAREUR list.



RAYMOND T. CONWAY/Stars and Stripes

The Natrx disco in Darmstadt is one of several nightclubs on U.S. Army Europe's off-limits list. The owners of the club, however, said they weren't aware their business was blacklisted. Many of the businesses cited on the most recent list are no longer operating, and some have been gone for decades.

Though both lists contain closed businesses, the USAREUR list appears far more out of date. For example, Othmar Kukula is on the USAREUR list as doing business at 34 Kaiserstrasse in Kaiserslautern. In reality, a Pizza Hut restaurant, an Auto Connection — part of a chain of auto dealerships — and Theo's Car & Muffler Service now are at that address.

None of the businesses have any connection to Kukula, said Theo Drimalas, owner of the muffler shop. Kukula owned the property, but sold it around 1982 to investors who developed the site for the auto dealership and restaurant, Drimalas said, a point confirmed by Auto Connection employees.

"He owned a junkyard on this property maybe 20 years ago," Drimalas said. "This man Kukula left here many years ago."

Asked if he'd own anything that might have led to his own business being blacklisted, the Greek native laughed and said, "Well, Americans have cheated me, but I've never cheated Americans."

An Auto Connection salesman, who asked not to be identified by name, confirmed that Drimalas has had no problems since moving to the site earlier this year.

"I think [USAREUR] is giving you a bit of the runaround," the salesman said. "There's no way that could be a current list. All those businesses were gone years ago."

BSB commander believes there is substance to the allegations, he or she sends a letter to the company asking them to change their practices, said Lt. Col. Carol McKinney, chief law enforcement officer of the USAREUR Provost Marshall Office.

The company is given a chance to reply, and several letters may be exchanged with the commander and the business owner. If the problem isn't resolved, a disciplinary control board — composed of members of the Judge Advocate General office, consumer affairs, mil-

After a lengthy inspection of listed sites, Stars and Stripes was unable to locate more than a dozen blacklisted businesses.

The majority of businesses are located in or around the Ramstein/Kaiserslautern hub, but most are listed without addresses, and efforts to locate them through local business organizations were unsuccessful. A canvass of those listed by address showed only one — the Paradox Club in Ramstein — still open, at the listed address.

■ In Landstuhl, Cutler & Cutler, a blacklisted insurance business at Kaiserstrasse 38, closed "eight or nine years ago," according to Monika Kessler, who owns the Kessler clothing store now at the address.

■ NAPA Parts, listed at Kindsbacher Strasse in Ramstein, is no longer in business, having closed five years ago, according to nearby business owners.

■ Hiltud Greene is listed as a real estate agent and building contractor at Eichendorffstrasse 15/16 in Weierbach, just north of Kaiserslautern. However, there is no such address, and residents on Eichendorffstrasse say they never heard of Greene.

Though the list appears to be out of date, the military still takes it seriously. Army officials in Europe post the list on bulletin boards all the way down to the company level.

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## USAREUR blacklist

The following establishments or individuals have been placed off-limits to U.S. Forces personnel, according to U.S. Army Europe officials. However, many of places listed are no longer in business or not at the addresses listed:

### Baumholder area

- Flash Disco, Grabbenstraße 10, St. Wendel.
- Granada Disco, Schönlautenbach 71, Idar-Oberstein.

### Darmstadt area

- Natrx Disctheke, Landwehr Straße 89, Darmstadt.
- Frankfurt area
- Bong Head Shop, Dornbusch 19, Frankfurt.

### Friedburg area

- Paradise Club, Augustinergerä 1, Friedburg.

### Hanau area

- Carl F. Lenz residence (brothel), Wiegengasse 33, Gröndau.

### Kaiserslautern area

- x-Cutler & Cutler (insurance), Kaiserstrasse 38, Landstuhl.
- x-Discover Tours, no address given, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Diversified Military Investors, no address given, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Elegance Tour & Travel, no address given, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Lon Fairbook, Kastanienweg 16a, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Hiltud Greene, Eichendorffstrasse 15/16, Weierbach.
- x-Rami Ben Khoud (travel agent), no address.
- x-Othmar Kukula (auto sales), Kaiserstrasse 34, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Gerhard H. Munz and Gary Mann (auto sales and repair), no address.
- x-NAPA Parts, Kindsbacher Straße, Ramstein.
- x-Herbert Neubrecht (contractor) Hauptstraße 24, Dornweiler/Fronbach.
- y-Paradox Club, Bachenstrasse 2A, Ramstein-Miesenbach.
- x-Franz Soherer (auto repair), Bannhofstraße 14, Schwedelbach.
- Stadt Apotheke, no address, Kaiserslautern.
- x-Travelmaster GmbH, no address, Kaiserslautern.

### Nuremberg area

- Green Goose Club, Vorde Sternstraße 23, Nuremberg.
- x-Establishment no longer in business or no longer at address listed.
- y-Appears on USAREUR off-limits list, but no on local Air Force list.

— Stars and Stripes

## How do businesses make the register?

The Army in Europe's off-limits list forbids servicemembers, civilian employees and family members from all branches from patronizing listed establishments.

The process of putting an establishment or owner off-limits begins with complaints from a community member or an incident in which someone was injured.

The base support battalion's Consumer Affairs office alerts the commander, and the commander assigns an investigating officer.

If the incident were a misdemeanor, the process ends there. But if the

itary police, public affairs and others — convenes and determines whether the business should be placed off limits.

If approved, information is reviewed by the area support group commander and then again at the USAREUR Provost Marshall Office before the business or owner is added to the list.

An establishment can come off the list if it changes management or owners prove they have changed practices, McKinney said.

—Rick Emert and Terry Boyd

# Blacklisted bar promoting party for U.S. soldiers

Owner claims business had been taken off list of off-limits spots

BY TERRY BOYD  
Stars and Stripes

BAUMHOLDER, Germany — The Granada Discothek is planning a party for soldiers.

Problem is, if American soldiers from nearby H.D. Smith Barracks in Baumholder attend, they'll be defying a direct order to stay out of the club, which is on the U.S. Army Europe's official off-limits list.

But Carola Birck, the Granada management, is adamant her club is not on the off-limits list — that officials at Baumholder assured her it's no longer verboten because it went two years without problems.

No conflict is Birck that she has scheduled a "soldiers' night" event for Friday night.

There is no dispute between the Army and club owners that there were problems at the Granada. The disco has been off limits since 2002, when Granada security personnel assaulted several off-duty military police, said Sean Lambur, 222nd Base Support Battalion civilian-missioned officer in Baumholder.

Then Birck said she's changed security companies and tried to patch things up with Smith Barracks officials.

"It's been two years since we had any problems, so [Army officials] say we're off the list," Birck said.

Birck and other bar owners, including employees of the Para-

dox Club in Ramstein-Miesenbach, told Stars and Stripes they believed their clubs have been removed from the off-limits list because of a two-year statute of limitations.

Not so, Lambur said. Granada management has to petition the 222nd BSB to be taken off the list, and prove they've made changes. "If they've done that, I'm not aware of it."

In e-mail responses, USAREUR officials stated there is no statute of limitations for the list.

Local police say Granada management has changed for the better. Roland Maurer, with the criminal unit at Idar-Oberstein's police station, said his officers have few problems there. Granada employees occasionally call police — who in turn call Army military police — when there are fights involving GIs at the club. But for the last two years, fights haven't been a problem, he and other German police told Stars and Stripes.

A German policeman, who asked not to be identified, said drugs, including Ecstasy, may be available at the Granada, "but that's the situation at all clubs."

Caught in between USAREUR and blacklisted businesses are U.S. soldiers, who point out that the Granada is the best disco near Baumholder.

"I've heard that it's off limits because some idiots were [buying] Ecstasy," said a Baumholder soldier who declined to give his



TERRY BOYD/Stars and Stripes

The Granada disco is planning a soldiers' night party on a Friday night in Idar-Oberstein, Germany. Posters advertising the event are all over Baumholder, despite the fact the club has been placed on the U.S. Army Europe's off-limits list. The club owner says she believes the club is no longer off-limits. However, Baumholder officials say she's never petitioned to be removed from the blacklisting.

name during a recent Saturday night visit. "If that's the issue, why aren't any Sachsenhausen bars [in Frankfurt's notorious bar district] on the list?"

In 2002, two Friedberg-based 1st Armored Division soldiers killed and robbed fellow soldier Pfc. Clint Lambear, and left his body in a Sachsenhausen parking garage. Sworn court-martial testimony from the investigation described binge-drinking soldiers

wandering club-to-club, fighting, using drugs and casually engaging prostitutes.

By contrast, the Granada is "a fairly low-key" club in a small city, and more likely to call police, Maurer said.

But if American soldiers get caught attending the Granada's "soldiers' night event," they could still end up facing non-judicial punishment.

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## Off-limits: USAREUR list appears outdated

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Owners of the the Natrix disco in Darmstadt said they had no idea they were on the "off limits" list.

"If there is any chance for us to change this, we would like to," said Nadine Flyder, who was translating for other Natrix employees during a phone interview.

Despite being on the list, Natrix employees say there still is a large American crowd.

"Americans are still coming and there is absolutely no problems here," Flyder said. "We would be more than happy if Americans came here. We're sorry that they're not allowed to."

The list is recognized by the U.S. European Command and applies to Air Force and Navy personnel as well, according to Lt. Col. Carol McKinney, chief law enforcement officer, U.S. Army Europe Provost Marshal Office.

While the list is punishment of sorts for the businesses, cutting off American revenues, people who ignore the list and go to blacklisted establishments also have been punished, McKinney said.

Punishments for servicemen patronizing the businesses could be anything from a letter of reprimand to Uniform Code of Military Justice action. Local garrison commanders also have several options for punishing civilian employees and family members, McKinney said.

"The punishment will depend on how that person's patronage of the establishment came to the commander's attention," McKinney said, adding that in most cases, the "punishment" would be a letter of reprimand or warning.

Businesses alleged to have violated military standards don't go on the off-limits list immediately; the process can take six months or more.

"This doesn't happen overnight," McKinney said. "It's a long, drawn-out process, and local businesses are given many opportunities to correct the unfair [or unsafe] practices."

Every business has disputes with customers if they do any volume of business at all, said Drimalas.

So far, he's had only one major dispute with an American, a complaint that was settled by a German civil judge, who ordered a compromise, Drimalas said.

"If everyone who ever had a complaint was put on the off-limits list, there wouldn't be any place for the Americans to go," Drimalas said.

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## AF procurement official gets 9 months in prison

BY RENAE MERLE  
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The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — A former high-ranking Air Force procurement official was sentenced to nine months in federal prison Friday after he admitted that he had lied to federal prosecutors and that favors from Boeing Co. executives had influenced her decisions on contracts worth billions of dollars.

Darleen A. Druyun, 56, initially admitted only to illegally negotiating a job with the Chicago aerospace giant while still overseeing their contracts. But in court records, Druyun said she agreed to a higher price on an Air Force deal to lease and buy refueling tankers from Boeing than she thought appropriate as

30-year employee admits favors from Boeing affected contract decisions

a "parting gift" to the firm. Court records detail a relationship between Druyun and Boeing executives dating back to 2000 in which Druyun gave Boeing preferential treatment after securing jobs at the company for her son-in-law and daughter.

U.S. District Judge T.S. Ellis III ordered Druyun to serve seven months in a community facility in addition to the nine months in federal prison. She also received three years of probation.

Prosecutors had asked for 16 months in prison.

"I understand that this was wrong and I regret any damage

my conduct may have caused to the Air Force," Druyun said in a quivering voice. Druyun said she felt "shame and remorse" that her 30-year tenure as a government employee "has been tarnished." Officials said Druyun gave false information in her original plea agreement and admitted the extent of her deceptions only after being subjected to a polygraph test. "She did great harm to the government and that harm is continuing now," said assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Wiechering.

U.S. Attorney Paul J. McNulty called the sentence "a fair punishment" and said Druyun "put

her own personal interests ahead of the United States Air Force."

Boeing fired Druyun last November along with Boeing's chief financial officer, Michael M. Sears, who is under investigation in a broad federal probe of corruption and conflict of interest involving the aerospace giant.

Druyun, 56, is the highest-ranking Pentagon official to be implicated in a corruption case since the 1980s. Druyun, a civilian, was at the grade of a lieutenant general when she retired and became vice president in charge of Boeing's missile defense systems in January 2003. Druyun's Boeing salary — \$250,000 plus a \$50,000 signing bonus — nearly doubled the top Pentagon pay for her position.



# Landstuhl patients get surprise visit



TODD GOODMAN/Courtesy of the U.S. Army

Sgt. Maj. of the Army Kenneth O. Preston, right, and U.S. Army Europe Command Sgt. Maj. Michael L. Gravens, talk to Specialist Chad Byrne, of Company C, 2nd Battalion, 108th Infantry Regiment, during a visit last week to Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany. The senior NCOs visited the hospital during Preston's tour of Germany last week.

# Military will switch Vioxx

BY JESSICA INIGO  
Stars and Stripes

DARMSTADT, Germany — Army medical officials said military pharmacies will make every effort to accommodate patients who want to immediately discontinue using Vioxx after the pain-relief medication was recalled last week.

An estimated 1,200 patients in the European military pharmacy database currently may be taking Vioxx, which also is known as rofecoxib. Those patients will be switched to a different medication as determined by their health care providers, officials said in a news release.

Merck & Co., the makers of Vioxx, issued the worldwide recall Thursday after new data from a clinical trial found an increased risk of heart attack and stroke in some patients.

Military treatment facility patients will be immediately contacted by mail with advice to discontinue their medication and to contact their provider for a new prescription, according to a release issued by the Europe Regional Medical Command.

However, the release advises that patients should not wait to be contacted by mail and to contact their health care providers directly.

The FDA noted that while the



Merck & Co. halted worldwide sales of the arthritis drug Vioxx last week after a clinical trial showed an increased risk of heart attacks or strokes in some patients taking the medicine.

risk of an individual suffering a heart attack or stroke related to the drug is very small, the study suggests that patients taking Vioxx chronically are at about twice the risk of confirmed cardiovascular events beginning after 18 months of treatment in patients taking 25 milligrams of Vioxx daily versus a placebo.

The study was being done in patients at risk of developing recurrent colon polyps, according to the news release.

The FDA approved Vioxx in 1999 for the reduction of pain and inflammation caused by osteoarthritis as well as acute pain in adults and for the treatment of menstrual pain.

Call medication treatment centers directly to change pain medication.

For more information on Vioxx go to [www.merck.com](http://www.merck.com) or [www.fda.gov/cder/drug/infopage/vioxx/default.htm](http://www.fda.gov/cder/drug/infopage/vioxx/default.htm).

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## AFN to air vice presidential debates

American Forces Network will air the vice presidential debate live on its news channel at 3 a.m. Wednesday, according to an AFN news release.

AFN's Power Network radio will also carry the debate live. The debate will be rebroadcast four times later in the day. Times of the rebroadcasts are:

- 11 a.m. — AFN News channel
- 3:30 p.m. — AFN Pacific and Korea
- 7 p.m. — AFN News
- 10:30 p.m. — AFN Atlantic

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# Afghan forces arrest 25 Taliban, al-Qaida suspects

BY AMIR SHAH  
The Associated Press

KABUL, Afghanistan — Afghan intelligence agents backed by international peacekeepers arrested 25 people with alleged links to the Taliban and al-Qaida in an early morning raid in eastern Kabul on Saturday, a spokesman for the peacekeepers said.

Lt. Cdr. Ken Mackillop said the raid took place between 3 a.m. and 5 a.m. in the Pulcharkh district of the capital. He gave no details about what the men were alleged plotting or whether it was linked to historic presidential elections on Oct. 9.

Mackillop said he had no further details, other than that no body was injured in the operation. Afghanistan's Intelligence Service had no comment on the raid.

Meanwhile, a spokesman for the 18,000-strong U.S.-led military coalition warned that the election was entering a dangerous phase and that the Taliban were likely to try to disrupt it, despite all the efforts of Afghan and international security forces.

"We are getting to a more dangerous time," said spokesman Maj. Scott Nelson of the threat of Taliban or al-Qaida attack.

"As we get closer to the election we expect to see more activity. We think we've done a good job along with the government of Afghanistan to disrupt a lot of their operations, but it only takes one person with a car bomb to get

in there and get lucky and do something."

Two Afghan soldiers were killed and seven wounded in a land mine attack on their convoy in the southeastern city of Orgun, the U.S. military announced Saturday. The attack occurred Thursday.

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Spokesman

U.S. soldiers came under attack by small arms fire Friday in the same area, and a base in southeastern Khost province was attacked with rockets the same day, the military said. No injuries were reported in either incident.

Nelson said a significant threat still exists to Kabul and the southern city of Kandahar, both of which the Taliban has publicly said they hope to target.

He said the rebels were concentrating most of their efforts on the south and east of the country, the regions where they have launched the most attacks on election workers, Afghan security

forces and ordinary citizens in recent months.

Nelson said Taliban forces have tried to intimidate voters and local leaders.

"They have significantly increased their information propaganda war. We see a lot of 'night letters' in villages, particularly in the south and southeast. The Taliban claim responsibility for things they didn't do, and also just make things up," he said.

"Night letters" are unsigned leaflets that are distributed clandestinely.

The U.S. military's No. 2 commander, Maj. Gen. Eric Olson, told the AP on Friday that the worst fears of widespread militant attacks had not come to pass, and that there were no signs that the Taliban were capable of launching major violence on polling day.

Olson said he had been worried Taliban and al-Qaida fighters would sabotage the distribution of ballot papers and boxes around the country in recent weeks, but that the operation was now largely completed and had gone off successfully.

"What we've predicted as worst-case scenarios haven't played out," Olson said in an interview.

"We've moved a lot of ballots and that was an area we were very concerned about. There was real vulnerability there."



Osama bin Laden, left, with his top lieutenant Egyptian Ayman al-Zawahiri, is seen at an undisclosed location in this television image broadcast in 2001. U.S. authorities on Friday say they have "high confidence" about the authenticity of a new audiotape in which al-Qaida's second-in-command purportedly urges Muslim youths to strike against the United States and its allies.

## U.S. has 'high confidence' al-Qaida tape is authentic

The Associated Press

DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — A new audiotape purportedly from al-Qaida's second-in-command urging Muslim youths to attack the United States is probably authentic, a U.S. intelligence official said.

The tape, aired Friday on Al-Jazeera television, is purportedly from Ayman al-Zawahiri, an Egyptian-born confidante of al-Qaida leader Osama bin Laden. It urged young Muslims to fight on even if al-Qaida leaders were killed or captured.

Less than a month ago, a videotape showed al-Zawahiri proclaiming the United States would be defeated in Iraq and Afghanistan.

"You, youth of Islam, this is our message," the speaker said.

"If we die or are detained, contin-

ue the path after us, and don't betray God and his prophet, and don't knowingly betray the trust."

A new audiotape purportedly from al-Qaida's second-in-command urging Muslim youths to attack the United States is probably authentic, a U.S. intelligence official said. Authorities were able to determine with "high confidence" that the voice was that of al-Zawahiri.

Dia's Rashwan, an expert on Islamic militants, played down the significance of the remarks. "According to his belief, being killed is normal and expected, especially in his case," Rashwan said. "This is not the first time he has said this. It doesn't mean they are close to being captured or killed."

There is a \$25 million U.S. bounty for information leading to the death or capture of either bin Laden or al-Zawahiri.

The date the audiotape was made could not be determined from the segments aired.

## 2 soldiers awarded Silver Stars

The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Two U.S. army sergeants have been awarded one of the highest medals for heroism following fierce fighting against insurgents in the Baghdad slum of Sadr City, the U.S. command said Saturday.

Sgt. 1st Class Jerry Swope and Staff Sgt. Robert Miltenberger, both with the 1st Cavalry Division, were awarded Silver Star medals at a ceremony Thursday for "exceptional valor in combat during Operation Lancer Fury" in April.

Swope, a platoon sergeant from Richmond, Virginia, hastily organized a defense as rebels ambushed his unit April 4. Despite orders to abandon their Humvees, he remained alone in one of the vehicles for two hours under enemy fire so he could remain in vital radio contact with his headquarters, a command release said.

After "fierce urban combat," Swope's unit was rescued by armored vehicles.

But while returning to base, one of his platoon's surviving vehicles encountered more insurgents. Swope dismounted and under intense fire saved the lives of three soldiers. In ensuing days, the release said, Swope was back out in the streets of Sadr City engaged in battles with fighters of the al-Madhi Army.

Miltenberger, a squad leader, fought off several attacking militiamen April 4 while performing critical medical care on wounded soldiers in his squad. His hometown was not immediately available.

The 1st Cavalry Division has been in almost daily combat in Sadr City, where the al-Madhi Army loyal to radical Muslim Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr, is still firmly entrenched.

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# Iraqis agreed to help drive out terrorists



Minister of State for National Security Qasim Dawoud addresses a press conference in Baghdad Friday on the ongoing joint operations by U.S. and Iraqi forces in Samarra.

BY WARD SANDERSON

Stars and Stripes

BAGHDAD — Tribal leaders in the city of Samarra met with government officials prior to this week's U.S. and Iraqi assault on insurgents there, agreeing to help drive the terrorists out, according to the new government's top security official.

About 125 of those insurgents — including foreign fighters, Saddam Hussein supporters and common criminals — were killed in strikes Friday and another 88 injured, Qasim Dawoud, Iraq's minister of state for national security, during a Friday evening news conference.

Wire reports said sporadic fighting continued Saturday. American military press officials in Baghdad were unable to confirm that Saturday, or to update casualty figures.

Dawoud said the new Iraqi government was intent on meeting with tribal and social figures in war-torn towns such as Samarra, Najaf, Fallujah and Basra to garner local support for ousting insurgents. In the case of Samarra, Dawoud said the government

met with about 110 local leaders, who then asked for military intervention and pledged cooperation on Tuesday to "purify the land of Samarra of these terrorists."

The local leaders included clerics, professionals and social figures, the minister said.

In the wake of the strikes, Dawoud said residents of Samarra could now "enjoy peace and the reconstruction."

The United States has said it took up the campaign the request of the Iraqi government. About 5,000 troops — 3,000 Americans and 2,000 Iraqis — took the city hall and central mosque in Samarra. One U.S. soldier was killed and four were injured, the coalition has said.

Despite the talk of novel cooperation, Dawoud said that such agreements were not necessary for the new government and American forces to attack insurgent areas.

"Even if they did not ask us, we would have moved into the city," he said. "It is our duty to clean the city."

Dawoud also claimed that Fallujah and Ramadi would also

face similar large-scale assaults, and claimed that citizens in those towns also support the new government.

Fallujah saw that prediction come at least partially true later that evening.

Coalition forces targeted a dwelling the military called for Abu Musab Al Zarqawi, the Jordanian accused by the CIA and other officials of masterminding beheadings of foreigners in Iraq.

According to a Saturday coalition statement, about 10 terrorists were in the house at the time of the 10:53 p.m. attack. The released cited "credible intelligence sources" as having determined the house was an insurgent lair. It went further, saying, no innocent civilians were injured in the attack.

"The Zarqawi network continues to disregard the safety of the people of Iraq by hiding among them," the statement read. "Multi-national forces accurately targeted this terrorist location while employing measures to protect innocent civilians and surrounding buildings."

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## U.S. deaths in Iraq

The Associated Press

As of Friday, Oct. 1, 2004, 1,055 members of the U.S. military have died since the beginning of the Iraq war in March 2003, according to the Defense Department. Of those, 801 died as a result of hostile action and 254 died of non-hostile causes. The figures include three military civilians.

The British military has reported 67 deaths; Italy, 19; Poland, 13; Spain, 11; Bulgaria, six; Ukraine, eight; Slovakia, three; Thailand, two; the Netherlands, two; and Denmark, El Salvador, Estonia, Hungary and Latvia have reported one death each.

Since May 1, 2003, when President Bush declared that major combat operations in Iraq had ended, 917 U.S. military members have died, 692 as a result of hostile action and 225 of non-hostile causes, according to the military's numbers as of Friday.

The latest deaths reported by the military:

■ A soldier was killed Friday as military forces secured areas near Samarra, Iraq.

The latest identification reported by the Department of Defense:

■ Army Staff Sgt. Darren J. Cunningham, 40, Groton, Mass.; died Thursday in Baghdad, Iraq, when his unit came under mortar attack; assigned to the 89th Military Police Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas.

# Troops now control 70% of Samarra

## Car bombs in Fallujah, Mosul wound 3 U.S. troops; clashes rock Sadr City

BY ZIDAN KHALAF

The Associated Press

SAMARRA, Iraq — The U.S. military and Iraqi authorities said they controlled some 70 percent of Samarra and only pockets of resistance remained. At 7 p.m. to 7 a.m. curfew was in effect, and water and electricity services were severed.

Maj. Gen. John Battiste, commander of the 1st Infantry Division, told CNN that U.S. and Iraqi troops faced a "couple of hundred" thugs in Samarra. He praised what he called the professionalism of Iraqi security forces.

Tank shelling and exchanges of machine gun fire erupted on the northern edges of the city Saturday evening but the city appeared mostly calm except for in the center, where American snipers on rooftops fired at anybody appearing in the streets below.

"It is over in Samarra," said Iraqi Defense Minister Hazem Shaidan in a television interview with the Arab network Al-Arabiya.

He said Iraqi forces took on the lion's share of the fighting and U.S. troops "only provided cover for our operations."

He said up to \$40 million was being allocated for reconstruction and compensation to residents of the embattled city.

In another hostage drama, a militant group in Iraq posted a video on the Internet Saturday showing what it said was the beheading of an Iraqi construction contractor working on a U.S. military base.

The authenticity of the video could not be verified.

The Ansar al-Sunnah Army has claimed responsibility for the killing of 12 Nepalese workers and three Iraqi Kurds.

A video showed the man identified as Ibrahim being beheaded by someone not seen on the video. Then his severed head was placed on his back.

A jailed Indonesian cleric accused of heading an al-Qaida-linked terror group said Saturday he refused to be freed in exchange for the release of two Indonesian women taken hostage in Iraq, as their captors have reportedly demanded.

The report of the demand could not immediately be confirmed.

Arab TV station Al-Jazeera showed footage Thursday of 10 hostages seized in Iraq by a militant group calling itself The Islamic Army. The hostages included Indonesians Rosdiah Binti Anas and Rafiqah Binti Amin along with two Lebanese and six Iraqis.

Outside Baghdad, a car bomb targeting a U.S. Marine convoy exploded east of Fallujah, another one of the cities that remain beyond U.S. and Iraqi government control. One Marine in the convoy was injured, said Lt. Lt. Lyle Gilbert, a Marine spokesman.

Police Lt. Sarmad Ali said American forces opened fire after the blast, wounding one Iraqi civilian. The military did not immediately respond to a request for comment about that incident.

Another car bomb struck a U.S.



A civilian car burns after a car bomb targeting a U.S. military convoy exploded in Mosul, 225 miles north of Baghdad, on Saturday.

convoy in the northern city of Mosul, wounding two American soldiers, the U.S. military said. The wounds were not life-threatening, said Capt. Angela Bowman, a military spokeswoman.

U.S. forces also clashed Saturday with insurgents in the vast Baghdad slum of Sadr City, with the U.S. military saying two of its soldiers were wounded when a roadside bomb slammed into their armored personnel carrier.

The soldiers were evacuated to a medical facility after the attack, said Capt. Brian O'Malley, a spokesman for the 1st Cavalry Division.

U.S. military officials have signaled they plan to increase incursions into key Iraqi cities this fall — partly as a way for the United States to try to pressure insur-

gents into negotiations with Iraqi officials. U.S. Defense Secretary Donald H. Rumsfeld alluded to this last week when he said insurgents in Fallujah and the city of Ramadi can be solved either diplomatically through negotiations, or through force.

In the northern city of Suleimaniyah, about 100,000 Kurds demonstrated outside provincial government offices Saturday, demanding that the turbulent, oil hub of Kirkuk be merged with the autonomous Kurdistan region in northern Iraq.

"Kirkuk means nothing without oil," Kurkistan, read banners carried by the demonstrators, who called for a referendum to decide the future of all Kurds in Iraq. They also demanded that the two main Iraqi parties that now control the north unite under one banner.





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## IN THE WORLD

## String of terrorist attacks kill 44 in India

BY WASBIR HUSSAIN

The Associated Press

GAUHATI, India — A string of bombings and gun attacks on crowded markets, a railroad station and other sites killed 44 people and left dozens wounded in two northeastern Indian states plagued by separatist groups, police said.

Nine separate attacks took place in Nagaland and Assam states, both of which have faced campaigns by rebels seeking independence, police said.

No one immediately claimed responsibility, but Inspector-General Khagen Sarma, the top police official of Assam state, told The Associated Press he "cannot rule out" the possible involvement of the outlawed National Democratic Front of Boroland, a tribal separatist group fighting Indian security forces in the region.

Sunday is the 18th anniversary of the militant group's founding. The attacks occurred a day after Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi, the state's top elected official, offered a truce to the rebels from Oct. 16 if they imposed a cease-fire by then.

The day began with two powerful bombs that exploded minutes apart in Nagaland, killing 26 and injuring 94, the state's Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio told The Associated Press after visiting the sites of the attacks.

The first blast occurred in the railway station in Dimapur, Nagaland's commercial hub, shortly

before a train was to arrive from neighboring Assam state and at a time when the main platform was crowded with passengers, said C. Yanthan, a railway official.

That was followed soon after by a powerful explosion just as shoppers were opening up for business in the city's popular "Hong Kong" market, said C. Kuki, an in-

spector in the police control room.

Hours later, seven other attacks hit neighboring Assam state, leaving a total of 18 people dead.

The deadliest of the attacks was in the small town of Makri Jhoda, bordering Bangladesh, where unidentified gunmen sprayed shots at a crowded mar-

ketplace, killing 11 and injuring dozens, said local Superintendent of Police L.R. Bishnoi.

The assailants then killed four more people as they left the market, he said. Makri Jhoda is 12 miles west of Gauhati, the Assam state capital.

Two simultaneous explosions occurred in Assam's Bongaigaon

town. Two people died in the first; a hotel was damaged but no one was hurt in the second.

In the town of Chirang near India's border with Bhutan, one man was killed and seven injured in another explosion, police said. Two other explosions took place in Bihlata Charali and Abhayapuri towns. No casualties were immediately reported.



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The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The Security Council unanimously approved a resolution increasing the U.N. peacekeeping force in Congo by 5,900 troops and international police — less than half the amount requested by U.N. Secretary-General Kofi Annan.

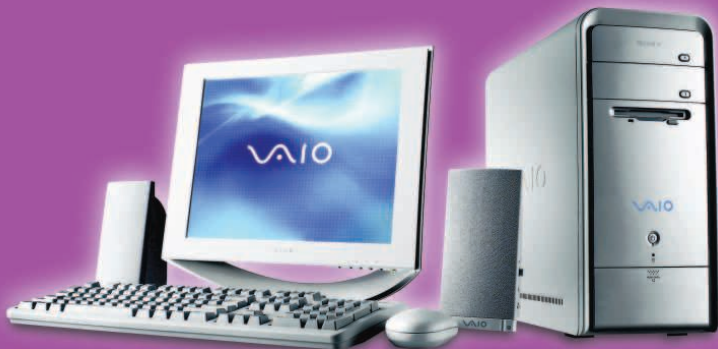
The council's action Friday will reinforce the 10,800-strong U.N. force now in Congo and give the peacekeepers a broader mandate to deploy to potentially volatile areas to deter the use of force, protect civilians "under imminent threat of physical violence," and seize illegal arms.

Annan said the additional personnel would improve the force's capabilities "which are severely under-resourced at the moment," but he was clearly disappointed that the council didn't approve a larger expansion.

In a report to the Security Council last month, he said the transition to peace in Congo is at "a critical juncture." He called for the U.N. force to be more than doubled to 23,900 troops and 507 international police to support the country's fragile peace process and move toward free elections in 2005.

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# Mourning over Pakistan attack turns violent

BY ASIF SHAHZAD

The Associated Press

**SIALKOT, Pakistan** — Mass mourning for victims of a suicide attack on a Shiite mosque that killed 31 people dissolved into violence Saturday, as youths rampaged through this eastern Pakistani city for a second day, burning a police station and the mayor's office.

Meanwhile, investigators questioned survivors of Friday's blast and sifted through the carnage at the Zainabia mosque in Sialkot for clues, but said it's not yet clear whether al-Qaida had a hand in the attack.

Hundreds of army troops and police commanders patrolled the streets, but initially struggled to contain rioting by youths that broke out after about 15,000 Shiite Muslim mourners had gathered for a mass funeral for victims of the bombing.

The rioters attacked the office of Mayor Mian Javed, but he was not inside at the time. They also burned a record room of a court, a police station and several motorcycles parked there. There were no reports of injuries.

By late afternoon, security forces had brought the situation under control and the city was quiet.

The Pakistani government offered a re-

ward of 10 million rupees (\$175,000) for information leading to the identity of the suicide bomber, as police searched for clues and questioned witnesses.

No one has claimed responsibility for the attack, and officials declined to speculate on who was responsible.

Police quoted witnesses as saying the attacker strode into the mosque carrying the bomb in a briefcase and the moment he opened it, it exploded, killing 16 people on the spot. Fifteen others died later.

Interior Minister Aftab Khan Sherpao was quoted as saying by the state news agency that the attack may have been a reaction to the death of Amjad Hussain Farooqi, a top Pakistani al-Qaida operative and radical Sunni Muslim militant group leader who was killed by Pakistani security forces in a gunbattle a week ago.

Farooqi was accused in a string of terrorist attacks in Pakistan, including the kidnapping and beheading of American journalist Daniel Pearl in 2002, and two assassination attempts against Musharraf in December 2003 that killed 17 other people.

In the three years since Musharraf threw Pakistan's support behind the U.S.-led war on terror, Islamic militants, often linked to al-Qaida, have launched repeated attacks against the government and Western targets.



A Pakistani police officer walks by the burning mayor's office, which was set on fire by angry Shiite Muslims on Saturday, in Sialkot, Pakistan.

## Nun to be honored

**VATICAN CITY** — For fans of "The Passion of the Christ," a different "star" of sorts linked to the hit film will get top billing on Sunday when Pope John Paul II honors a German nun said to have inspired Mel Gibson's shockingly graphic depiction of Jesus' final suffering.

Anna Katharina Emmerick's extraordinary empathy for the poor and suffering has placed her on the road to possible sainthood. But the beatification of Emmerick, a 19th century mystic who reported having detailed visions of the torturing of Christ, could irritate those already unhappy about the Vatican's enthusiasm for a film some called anti-Semitic.

In the early 1800s, Emmerick was an bedridden nun known for nourishing herself solely on water and communion wafers and suffering from unexplained bleeding resembling those Jesus suffered during his crucifixion.

It was during that time that she is said to have had the vision that some say were recounted in the 19th century book which inspired Gibson's film. But the Vatican concluded that it is impossible to tell how much of the accounts of the visions contained in the book "The Dolorous Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ" by Clemens Brentano, came from Emmerick's recounting and how much came from other writings on the Passion he might have consulted.

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# Beasts of burden find their athletic calling

## Elephant polo slowly strides toward sporting legitimacy in Asia

BY VIJAY JOSHI  
The Associated Press

HUA HIN, Thailand — With the crack of clashing mallets and the thump of jumbo feet shaking the earth, the game is under way.

Tense commands are shouted by pith-helmeted players tied firmly to their two-ton mounts. Very soon, there is a muddle in the middle.

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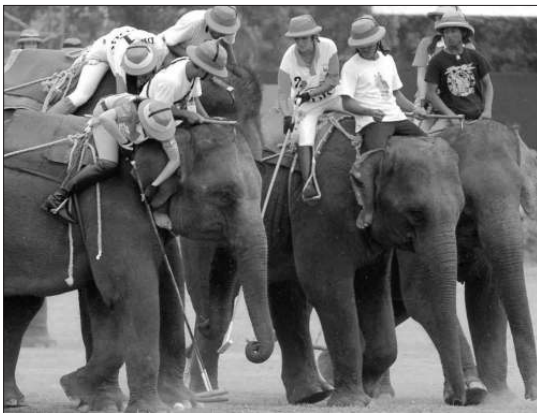
It is not fast, it is not furious, yet it is as exhilarating — and as elitist — as the equine sport that inspired the jumbo version.

"It is almost like horse polo but in a very slow motion. But I can tell you it is much more difficult," said Raj Kalaan, a retired Indian army colonel and former horse polo player who is now a member of the Chivas Regal elephant polo team.

Kalaan was among the 55 players — including three former players from New Zealand's All Blacks rugby team, three Thai transvestites and professional horse polo experts — who gathered recently in the Thai beach resort town of Hua Hin for the annual King's Cup Elephant Polo Tournament.

The 14-team round-robin tournament ended with Thailand's Mobile Easy defeating Australia's Sandalford Winery 6-4 in the final.

Sandalford had produced the biggest upset of the tournament by



Thai transvestites from the team "Screwless Tuskers" (wearing pink) battle against the "DBS Bank Ladies" (wearing white) in a Sept. 12 match at the King's Cup Elephant Polo Tournament in Hua Hin, Thailand.

beating two-time defending champion Mercedes Benz.

Kalaan, who trains horses on his farm outside New Delhi, India's capital, concedes many people

probably think of elephant polo as quirky.

"But it is as competitive as any other sport. Once you are out in the middle, you want to win. It's

not always easy," said Kalaan, a former presidential bodyguard and battle tank commander.

There is no question elephant polo takes skill. Try hitting an ob-

ject slightly bigger than a tennis ball, while perched atop a behemoth wielding a 6-foot-long bamboo hammer, or getting your lumbering steed to stop in full stride and turn around when you miss the ball, as players often do.

Connecting with the ball is no guarantee of a score. An opponent's elephant blocks a lot of space.

"Elephants are the smartest animals I have seen. They really understand that the ball needs to go or not go into the goal," said Oliver Winter, captain of the Mercedes Benz team. "Sometimes I think they enjoy the game more than we do."

Elephants, which once were the workhorses of Asia's mud armies and later beasts of burden in the now-banned logging industry, have lost much of their usefulness in the modern age.

Most domesticated elephants in Thailand are now reduced to begging on the streets, with the help of handlers. Winter and Kalaan say using them for sports keeps their intelligent brains stimulated.

Unlike horse polo, the elephant is not controlled by the player trying to hit the ball, but rather by a mahout, or handler, who sits on the animal's neck and directs its movements.

Younger elephants tend to be quicker and more agile in making a U-turn or backing up. But they also tend to be naughty, and are known to pick up the ball with their trunks in the middle of the game and lumber off — a foul.



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## Overseas GOP group's financial reports late

The Associated Press

MEXICO CITY — Republican activists abroad have waged an aggressive fund-raising campaign as an independent, nonprofit group with no limits on contributions, but they have not filed required reports on income and spending.

Both major parties are fighting for absentee voters from the estimated 7.1 million Americans living abroad — votes that could be crucial in a close election. Democrats and Republicans alike are lavishing attention on those voters through ads, Internet sites and visits by the candidates' relatives.

The two overseas operations used to work like state party committees, receiving funds from their national offices. The Democrats still operate that way. But nearly two years ago Republicans Abroad became a "527," a partisan, nonprofit group allowed to raise corporate, union and unlimited individual donations now barred for candidates and the national parties.

As a 527, the group is supposed to file quarterly reports on income and expenditures during election years. Republicans Abroad hasn't done that since 2003, when it reported raising

\$78,493 and spending \$41,617 in the first six months of that year.

A co-chairwoman for Republicans Abroad, Joan Hills, said the group got behind on paperwork after the departure of executive director and planned to bring its disclosures up to date by Oct. 15, the deadline for third-quarter 2004 reports.

The U.S. Internal Revenue Service's Web site shows the group hasn't reported for more than a year. IRS officials declined to comment on the missed reports or whether the group had been sanctioned.

There are also questions about some of the money being raised overseas.

At least one chapter of Republicans Abroad — in Germany — has solicited donations from foreigners, with the Web site asking for dues of 40 euros, or about \$50, and saying, "Membership is open to ALL individuals, regardless of nationality."

Federal law prohibits foreigners from making contributions in connection with a U.S. election. But IRS spokeswoman Nancy Mathis said nothing in the IRS code or tax law addresses the issue of whether a 527 can take foreign money to help pay for non-election activities.

## IN THE STATES

# Bush, Kerry trade jabs over domestic issues

The Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — President Bush lashed out at Sen. John Kerry on Saturday for his stands on domestic programs ranging from retirement to health care, saying the Democrat is obstructing needed reforms that would give workers more control over their financial future.

"He's decided to put his faith in the wisdom of the government," Bush said of Kerry. "I will always put my faith in the wisdom of the American people."

Campaigning in Orlando, Fla., Kerry described the president's record of tax cuts as a boon to the wealthy at the expense of the middle class.

"Time and time again, he has made the same choice — to use the power of the presidency to give more and more to those with the most, more to the wealthiest individuals, more to the most well connected," Kerry said. "And the result? George Bush doesn't have a record to run on. He has a record to run away from."

Kerry said the president's programs, specifically his tax cuts, have done little to create jobs, expand health care coverage to uninsured families, make college affordable or promote fair trade.

Kerry touted his own ideas to expand tax deductions for college tuition, a tax credit for health insurance, a promise to make trade relationships fairer, while rolling back tax cuts given to the wealthiest individuals.



AP photos

**Above:** Democratic presidential candidate Sen. John Kerry and his wife, Teresa, are introduced at a Kerry rally Thursday at the Miami Arena in Miami. **Right:** President Bush campaigns in Allentown, Pa., on Friday.

In Columbus, the president sought to turn Kerry's own words against him by criticizing a recent speech in Detroit in which the Democrat said, "This president has created more excuses than jobs." Kerry often criticizes the Bush administration for over-seeing the first job-loss record since the Depression.

"Not once in his speech did he mention expanding ownership," Bush said. "Not a word on how we help more Americans own their own homes, or stocks, or savings accounts. Instead, his agenda focuses on expanding the scope and power of the government."

In that Sept. 15 speech, Kerry

tried to reassure his conservative-leaning audience that he would be a friend to business, declaring, "I'm an entrepreneurial Democrat." But Bush told the National Association of Home Builders that Kerry voted against tax-deductible health savings accounts and expanding personal retirement savings.

The president said Kerry opposed proposals to strengthen Social Security by allowing younger workers to put some of their taxes into personal accounts and that Kerry "opposes our plan to allow small businesses to join together to purchase health insurance discounts available to big companies."



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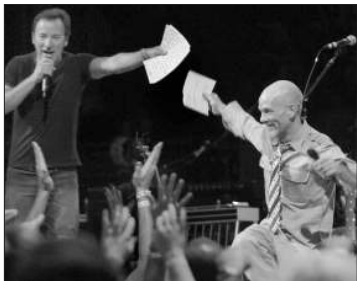
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Left: Michael Stipe of R.E.M., right, and Bruce Springsteen kick off the "Vote For Change" concert Friday in Philadelphia. Below: From left, Jackson Browne, Bonnie Raitt, and Keb Mo perform at the Warner Theatre in Erie, Pa. Right: Pearl Jam's Eddie Vedder sings in Reading, Pa.

AP photos



# Rockers tour swing states to sway voters

BY JENNIFER KAY  
The Associated Press

**P**HILADELPHIA  
Bruce Springsteen and R.E.M. frontman Michael Stipe stayed on message from the time they took the stage: vote John Kerry on Nov. 2.

The rockers joined an assortment of performers across the country Friday night in kicking off the "Vote for Change" tour, a 10-day series of concerts in battle ground states aimed at helping out President Bush.

Springsteen opened with a solo version

of "The Star Spangled Banner," then a rousing rendition of his anti-war anthem "Born in the U.S.A."

"America is not always right — that's a fairy tale you tell your children — but America is always true, and it's in seeking this truth that we find a deeper patriotism," Springsteen told cheering fans after endorsing Kerry, a Democrat.

Springsteen and Stipe, both critics of the war in Iraq, took the stage together to introduce the first band, Bright Eyes, and to remind the crowd to vote. "This is a very important moment for every one of us and for our country," Stipe said.

Later, during R.E.M.'s hourlong set,

Stipe occasionally offered brief political comments. Introducing a song called "Final Straw" that was released the week the United States declared war on Iraq, he asked, "Did anyone watch the debates last night?" Thousands in the packed stadium cheered loudly, many raising their hands.

Across the state, the Dixie Chicks and James Taylor performed in Pittsburgh. Other concerts were held in Erie, State College, Reading and Wilkes-Barre.

"I think our guy did really pretty good last night," Taylor said of Kerry's debate performance. He advised undecided voters to "take a real close look at both of the candidates and then vote for the smart one."

Dixie Chicks' Natalie Maines, once criticized for saying she was ashamed to share her home state of Texas with Bush, noted that a few people booed Taylor's assessment of Kerry's debate performance.

"We don't feel at home unless we hear some boo, so you're welcome," she said.

The tour, also featuring Pearl Jam, Jackson Browne, Bonnie Raitt, John Mellencamp and others, includes 37 shows in 30 cities through Oct. 11. Proceeds will go to America Coming Together, or ACT, a group raising money for Democratic candidates. Organizers said 90 percent of the shows, including the one in Philadelphia, were sold out as of Friday.



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# Photographer Richard Avedon dead at 81



Photographer Richard Avedon poses in front of his self-portraits during a 2002 exhibition at the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. Avedon died Friday at age 81 in San Antonio, Texas.

BY MADISON J. GRAY  
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Richard Avedon, the celebrated photographer who revolutionized the art form over the last half-century, died Friday at age 81.

Avedon amassed a body of work that included lush fashion spreads in extravagant locations such as the pyramids of Egypt, but he went in another direction with his portrait work, shooting unsparing and often unflattering shots of famous subjects.

Avedon's death came after he suffered a brain hemorrhage last month while on assignment in San Antonio, Texas, for The New Yorker magazine. He had been taking pictures for a piece called "On Democracy," shooting politicians, delegates and citizens from around the country.

"We've lost one of the great vi-

sual imaginations of the last half century," said David Rennick, editor of The New Yorker.

Avedon's influence on photography was immense, and his fashion work helped create the era of supermodels such as Naomi Campbell and Cindy Crawford.

During his career, Avedon worked for such photograph-driven publications as Vogue and Harper's Bazaar, and served as The New Yorker's first staff photographer. His skill also earned him another title: He was reputed to be the world's highest-paid photographer.

"He's the most wonderful man in the business because he realizes that models are not just coat hangers," famed model Suzy Parker once said. An Avedon shot of Parker from 1959 was credited with igniting the bikini boom.

But among Avedon's best-known work was "Nothing Per-

sonal," a 1964 collection of unflattering photographs of affluent Americans.

Time magazine called his photos of former President Eisenhower, Adlai Stevenson, Marilyn Monroe and other celebrities "a subtler, crueler instrument of distortion than any caricaturist's pencil."

His signature style was known simply as "The Avedon Look."

In 2002-03, Avedon's portrait work was highlighted at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. All the subjects were shot against a white background, without any of the typical poses or smiling faces.

"If a day goes by without my doing something related to photography, it's as though I've neglected something essential to my existence, as though I had forgotten to wake up," he said in 1970. "I know that the accident of my being a photographer has made my life possible."

## Utah cops find body of missing woman

BY PAUL FOY  
The Associated Press

SALT LAKE CITY — The body of a young Utah woman allegedly killed by her husband has turned up in a landfill that police had been searching since her disappearance in late July.

The state medical examiner's office used dental records to identify Lori Hacking's remains about six hours after they were discovered Friday.

"It means everything to us to find Lori's mortal remains so that we might lay them to rest with dignity," Hacking's parents, Erlando and Thelma Soares, said in a statement.

The discovery came on the 33rd working day of a search of 4,600 tons of garbage. Over the past weeks, investigators used cadaver dogs and ground rakes to comb through the trash.

Hacking, a 27-year-old assistant stock broker, had not been seen since July 18. Her 28-year-old husband, Mark Hacking, reported her missing the following day, saying she never returned from a morning jog.

Authorities believe Lori Hacking was killed after she learned her husband was not enrolled in medical school in North Carolina, even though they were packing to move there. It was the latest in a series of deceptions perpetrated by the husband over several years, police say.

While Mark Hacking was hospitalized in a psychiatric unit, he allegedly confessed to his brothers that he shot his wife while she was sleeping and disposed of her body, the weapon and a mattress in a trash bin. He was charged with murder and jailed on \$1 million bail.

The search was called off Friday, though police have not found a 22-caliber gun they believe was the murder weapon.



After searching through a Utah landfill for weeks, police on Friday found the remains of Lori Hacking, who had been missing since late July.

"We were confident we could go forward with the case without a body, and now we have the body," said Assistant District Attorney Robert Stott.

Mark Hacking's attorney, Gil Athay, did not return calls Friday from The Associated Press.

The remains were found among trash that industry newspapers dated July 16-19, the weekend Lori Hacking disappeared.

Investigators also found business envelopes indicating they were from the University of Utah Research Park area where Mark Hacking worked and where prosecutors believed he dumped the body in the trash.

Police Chief Rick Dinse said the remains found "were not all intact."

Mark Hacking's father, Douglas Hacking, issued a statement saying, "We hope today's discovery will begin to bring closure to both our family and the Soares families in this tragic event."

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# IMF meeting focuses on China, debt relief

BY MARTIN CRUTSINGER  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The world's major economic powers were far apart Saturday on agreeing how to provide debt relief for Iraq and the poorest nations, as finance officials began broader discussions about the global economy.

Treasury Secretary John Snow and Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan led the U.S. delegation to the meeting of the International Monetary Fund's policy setting body. The issue of easing the debt burden, particularly in Africa, was high on the agenda.

British Chancellor of the Exchequer Gordon Brown, the chairman of the group, has offered a British plan to pay for expanded debt relief by revaluing the IMF's gold reserves according to world prices and by getting wealthy nations to commit more resources.

By contrast, the Bush administration is pushing a proposal that essentially would mean the most impoverished countries would not have to repay existing loans. But new loans would be reduced by the amount of increased debt forgiveness the countries received, under this approach.

Aid groups welcomed U.S. support for expanded debt relief, but they prefer the British plan.

Failing to narrow their differences on Friday, the Group of Seven major industrial countries pledged in a statement to "prepare a progress report on these efforts by the end of the year."

With its plan, the United States also hoped to win support for erasing as much as 95 percent of Iraq's \$120 billion in foreign debt.

France and Germany, however, say they are willing to provide 50 percent debt relief for Iraq this

year and will return to the issue in three years when, they hope, Iraq is more stable.

Snow expressed confidence in an eventual resolution.

"We will have ample opportunity to address this later. We are making progress," he told reporters Saturday during a break in the meetings.

The three days of talks were to wrap up Sunday with the annual meetings of the 184-nation IMF and its sister lending agency, the World Bank.

The meetings were taking

place under tight security. In August, the administration reported that the IMF and World Bank deal was on a terrorist target list of major financial institutions.

In addition to debt relief, U.S. officials lobbied their Chinese counterparts to commit to no longer linking their currency, the yuan, closely to the value of the dollar. The effort is intended to address the bulging U.S. trade deficits and nearly 3 million lost American manufacturing jobs.

The Chinese pledged only to "push ahead firmly and steadily to a market-based flexible exchange rate."

## Teens get direct-mail racist CD

BY AMY FORLITI  
The Associated Press

MINNEAPOLIS — An anti-discrimination group is warning parents about a "white power" music label that is using bulk mailing lists to send racist CDs to teenagers across the country.

An official of Panzerfaust Records said it was pressing 100,000 copies of a "pro-white sampler CD" in a campaign dubbed Project Schoolyard USA, after a similar effort earlier this year in Germany.

"Panzerfaust has intentionally designed its CDs to lure unsuspecting teens with a free giveaway that has the appearance of being just another free compilation of cutting edge music," Abraham H. Foxman, national director of the Anti-Defamation League, said in a statement this week.

"In reality, it is a thinly veiled attempt to attract kids to hateful, racist music and white power bands," he said.

Panzerfaust, based in the Twin Cities suburb of Newport, says on its Web site that white teenagers

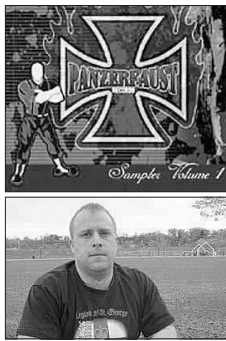
are the target audience for its CD, which features song titles such as "White Supremacy," "Hate Train Rolling" and "Commie Scum."

"Obviously there's a message behind the music, and the message is one that we're also interested in marketing as well," said Byron Calvert, one of the men who operate Panzerfaust, named after a Nazi anti-tank weapon.

Calvert, 33, said Wednesday that his label already had sent out 5,000 CDs — most were direct-mailed to teenagers nationwide with interests including heavy metal music or skateboarding. Calvert bought bulk mailing lists to obtain the teens' names and addresses.

The CDs were also sent to supporters to distribute at skate parks, gun shows, flea markets and schools, Calvert said. They also were available via the Web site for 15 cents a copy.

Calvert, whose legal name is Bryant Calvert Cecchini, last worked at Resistance Records, another white-power label based in West Virginia. In 1989, at age 17, he was sentenced to more than three years in prison for stabbing two men.



Left top: The cover of a compact disc made by Panzerfaust Records is shown. Panzerfaust Records, one of the nation's largest "white power" music labels, said it had pressed 100,000 copies of the "pro-white sampler CD" and began mailing them out to volunteers around the country to distribute in schools and elsewhere.

Left below: Byron Calvert, one of the men who operate Panzerfaust Records. An official of Panzerfaust Records said the campaign was dubbed Project Schoolyard USA, after a similar effort in Germany this year.

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### Better storm forecast

FORT COLLINS, Colo. — A team of forecasters on Friday predicted the Atlantic hurricane season will finish much more quietly than it began, but said the probability of additional storms remains higher than last year.

William Gray and Phil Klotzbach of Colorado State University said the five named storms that affected Florida in August and September were unparalleled in history going back 130 years.

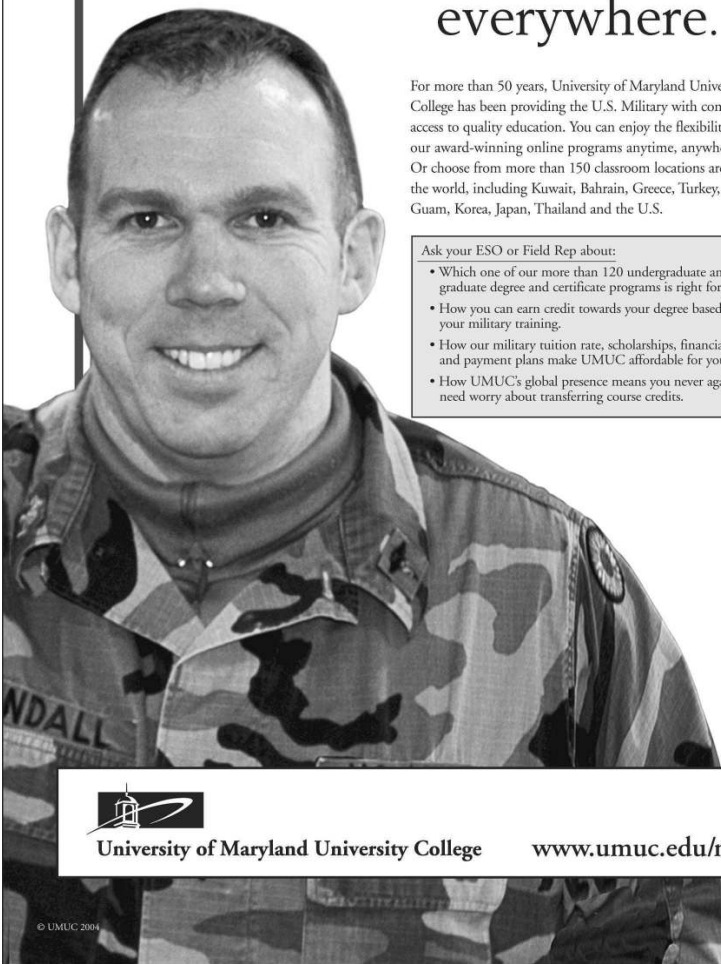
"It is not the number of hurricanes in the Atlantic basin that has been so unusual, but rather the combination of high hurricane activity and very favorable surrounding hurricane steering conditions that drove so many storms from the deep tropics across Florida's coast in a short time period," Gray said.

The 2004 storm season has already seen 12 named storms, including eight hurricanes — six of them intense. The team's October forecast calls for three more named storms, including two non-intense hurricanes.

The probability of at least one named storm hitting the U.S. coast this month is 33 percent, slightly above the 29 percent long-term average. The probability of at least one major hurricane crossing the U.S. coastline in October is 8 percent (6 percent is the average).

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# Mt. St. Helens: Quiet now, but not for long

By DAVID AMMONS

The Associated Press

**MOUNT ST. HELENS, Wash.** — Mount St. Helens quieted down after spewing a plume of steam and ash — but only briefly. Within hours of the eruption Friday, seismic readings suggested pressure was building again inside the volcano, which had been dormant for 18 years.

It began rumbling last week, set off by small earthquakes occurring as often as three or four times a minutes, and scientists said there could be more steam eruptions soon.

**Mount St. Helens, the volcano that blew its top with cataclysmic force in 1980, erupted for the first time in 18 years Friday, belching a huge column of white steam and ash after days of rumblings under the mountain. The eruption cast a haze across the horizon as the rolling plume rose from the nearly 1,000-foot-tall lava dome. Scientists had been predicting just such an eruption for days.**

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Friday's eruption, described by government scientist Jeff Wynn as a "throat-clearing," was the sleeping giant's first since 1986. On May 18, 1980, Mount St. Helens blew its top with such force that 57 people lost their lives.

The volcanic burp cast a haze across the horizon as the rolling plume rose from the nearly 1,000-foot-tall dome. After about 20 minutes, the mountain calmed and the plume dissipated.

"It was such a thrill!" said Faye Ray, a retired school teacher who watched from an observatory near the mountain. "I just felt we would see something today and we did."

The ash appeared to pose no threat to anyone, but scientists warned that people living south-west of the mountain might notice a dusting on their cars. There was no sign of lava.

The earthquakes started Sept. 23 and grew steadily stronger, finally reaching a magnitude of 3.3 Thursday and Friday. After the eruption, they stopped for several hours, said Wynn, of the U.S. Geological Survey.

Then the tremors resumed, hitting a one-per-minute pace, said Bill Steele at the University of Washington seismic laboratory. A couple exceeded magnitude 2.

A few more steam explosions are likely, Steele said, "until enough debris is cleared, and then there is a significant chance that lava could be extruded at the surface."

Tom Pierson, a USGS geologist, said officials will monitor the site "on a very intense scale until we can determine that the thing has really gone back to sleep."

Scientists had not been expecting anything like the mountain's devastating eruption in 1980, which costed much of the Northwest with ash and obliterated the top 1,300 feet of the mountain. It now stands 8,364 feet.

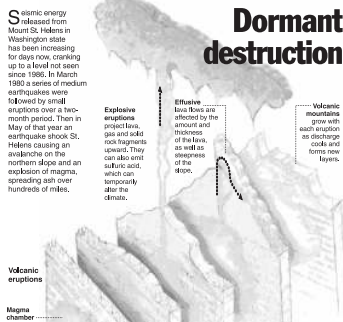
Few people live near the mountain, the centerpiece of the Mount St. Helens National Volcanic Monument in the Gifford Pinchot National Forest, about 100 miles south of Seattle. The closest structure is the Johnston Ridge Observatory, about five miles from the crater.

"It wasn't lava-y, so I wasn't scared," said Lorain Weatherly, who was working a snack bar down the road from St. Helens. "It was like a big white cloud."

Mike Fergus, a spokesman with the Federal Aviation Administration in Seattle, said the plume had reached 16,000 feet in altitude.



## Dormant destruction



## Tourists flock to see the show

By GENE JOHNSON

The Associated Press

**MOUNT ST. HELENS, Wash.** — Pam Morret and her husband, Lynn, missed the big eruption of Mount St. Helens in 1980. They sure were not going to miss this one.

So they donned their leather jackets, chaps and bandanas, hopped on their motorcycles, and began cruising up Highway 504 — past a theater that that airs the 1980 footage every 45 minutes, past trinket shops hawkling statues made of volcano bits, past a lodge that happily warned travelers: "Watch your ash up there!"

When the Vancouver couple got to within five miles of the Johnston Ridge Observatory on Friday, they pulled to the side of the road and saw what they had been coming for: an ash-en-white cloud billowing from the volcano's crater.

"It was like a big burp," said Pam Morret, 49.

Thanks to the predictive abilities of the U.S. Geological Survey, the Morrets were not alone when they finally did make it to Johnston Ridge, a barren shoulder of land which looks into the crater from about five miles away. Hundreds of tourists jammed the parking lot and visitor center, drawn by the rumblings from the nation's most cantankerous mountain, but



**With spectators yelling and hooting at the Johnston Ridge Observatory, Mount St. Helens erupts, first with steam, then with ash Friday in Mount St. Helens, Wash. The observatory is five miles from the crater.**

reassured that any eruption would be far smaller than the one that killed 57 people more than two decades ago.

Some tourists — like the Morrets — smiled in giddy, guilt-free wonder at the mountain's power.

Others were disappointed: They didn't head for the hills until they saw Friday's eruption on television, and by the time they made it up there, the cloud had cleared.

"I missed it by about 40 min-

utes. I am so disappointed," said Elva Ahearn, 68, of Auburn. "But I am still excited to be here. I'm still hoping I'll see something."

The eruption capped an exciting week at the mountain. Hundreds of people visited every day, watching seismic needles chart bouncing lines at the observatory and quietly urging the volcano to put on a show — just not too big a show.

Associated Press writer David Ammons contributed to this report.

## Scene brings back memories

The Associated Press

**PORTLAND, Ore.** — Two decades ago, when Mount St. Helens last erupted, Marcia Howell woke up to "a charcoal gray world."

Everything was covered with rock and ash.

On Friday, she couldn't help but be disappointed when all she and thousands of others saw was a plume of steam that began to dissipate after about 20 minutes.

"I didn't get here in time," shrugged Howell, 62, who brought her sketchpad to a hilltop park in Portland. She ended up drawing a serene view of the mountain.

The nighttime eruption was nowhere near what happened 24 years ago when the majestic peak blew its top. For weeks, the powder kept raining down, showering towns up to 250 miles away with rock and ash.

"It wasn't as spectacular as the first time," said Lee Valgardson, who had just bought his first car when the volcano erupted in 1980.

"It was a bright red when I bought it. By the end of the year it was a dull pink. The ash just took the finish right off," she laughed.

In Cougar, Wash., the town closest to the crater, residents joked about Friday's eruption.

"You survive the blow?" Ron Jackman, a retired logger, kidded friend Mike Mathews while the two were in line at the Cougar Store.

"We got lava up to the back of the barn, but other than that, everything's fine," Mathews said.

Within hours of the volcanic burp, seismic readings suggested pressure was building up again inside the mountain that began rumbling last week.





## OPINION

## What newspapers are saying at home

The following editorial excerpts are selected from a cross section of newspapers throughout the United States. The editorials are provided by The Associated Press and other statewide syndicates.

Hill can only muster bluster  
The Morning Call, Allentown, Pa.

Focus! That is the one-word message of advice that citizens wanted to send to members of Congress at the end of last month. Both the House of Representatives and the Senate looked as if they are having trouble seizing and acting upon the issues that are most important to the nation.

But the [Republican-controlled] House also passed a strange measure having to do with the Pledge of Allegiance. It would prevent the federal courts from ruling against including the phrase "under God" in the pledge.

Three problems: First, since there is nothing coercive about reciting the pledge, no broad legislation is justified. Second, it strikes us as unconstitutional for Congress to try to limit the purview of the courts in this way. It is a very serious matter to deny people who believe this or that thing their day in court.

Finally, there is a bit of cynical politics at play here. That is, majority leaders in the Senate (also Republican) have no plans to take up the pledge resolution, this isn't going to become law. This allows House members a "free vote" on a social issue that is important to some people. In a sense, all government is a bit of a con game, but we'd be more comfortable if members of Congress had a healthier respect for the separation of powers that the founders put into the Constitution.

Prepare touch-screen Plan B  
The Seattle Post-Intelligencer

Americans will have to hold their collective breath and hope for minimal voting problems on Nov. 2. Four years after the Florida voting fiasco, our ability to ensure a smooth, accurate election count leaves much to be desired.

No election can be conducted without potential for error or fraud. ... New problem arise, though, as we move forward. Touch-screen voting must have a paper trail, so recounts can be conducted.

[Washington] Secretary of State Sam Reed wisely has ordered paper records for the 2006 election. Congress has so far failed to follow suit on the federal level.

A host of other ideas has arisen, including having large stacks of paper ballots available at all polling places in case of machine problems. ...

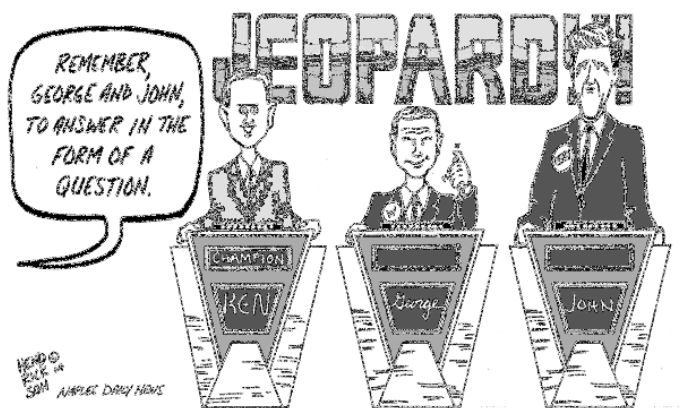
Secrecy ought to disappear from the systems for testing software in voting machines. ... There must also be a serious look at the legitimate questions raised about political advertising using voting-machine manufacturers and Republicans.

RICO not suave move here  
The Daily Nonpareil,  
Council Bluffs, Iowa

The federal government seems willing to use any tool it takes, even an illegitimate one, to crush tobacco companies. What many may applaud the fact, they shouldn't.

What is going on right now is a \$280 billion suit that could bankrupt the tobacco industry—or at least major segments of it—if the Justice Department is successful. The tool of choice is the Racketeers Infiltrating and Corrupting Organizations Act, a loosely framed, gotcha piece of legislation adopted in 1970 to ease the way of cops and prosecutors in putting mobsters behind bars.

Should tobacco companies now have to dread it, too? No one can argue that the duplicitous behavior of some tobacco executives was anything but reprehensible. But the reprehensibility of Big Tobacco does not

IN ANTICIPATION OF VIEWER APTITUDE, THE NETWORKS HAVE DECIDED  
TO PRESENT THE PRESIDENTIAL DEBATES IN A NEW FORMAT.

entitle the government to use a bad law that was intended for something else entirely to wreck the industry.

When the government abuses its powers in an instance like this and gets away with it, every institution, every person is more at risk; legal safeguards have been diminished for everyone. Clearly, the end does not justify the means.

Meet hopefuls' talking points  
The Press and Sun Bulletin,  
Binghamton, N.Y.

The 2004 presidential debates began Thursday, which means the spotlight is on Judd Gregg and Gregory Craig.

Who? Well, a New Hampshire senator, is the stand-in for Sen. John Kerry at President Bush's Texas ranch. He previously impersonated Al Gore during Bush's preparations for the 2000 debates.

Craig, an lawyer on President Clinton's impeachment defense team, stood in for Bush during Sen. Kerry's predebate practices in Wisconsin.

The two role-players are part of large debate "teams," of course — people who are trying to make their candidates look good and sound good for the debates. Some of them are experts in style; others in substance. Gregg and Craig are trying to give the candidates some sense of what their opponents may say or do during the course of the discussion.

The debates are so over-rehearsed that spontaneity is rare, but they remain worthwhile exercises — assuming, of course, that substance still matters in U.S. politics.

Style is nice, but not very nourishing. And if Bush and Kerry want to concentrate on style, then they have a debate between Gregg and Craig.

Vietnam, a Thirty Years' War?  
Durango (Colo.) Herald

The Vietnam War is 30 years in the past. How it got to be the definitive issue in this election year appears to be a study in how American voters will allow their heads to be spun any way political candidates want to whirl them.

John Kerry may or may not have earned the medals he was awarded for his service in Vietnam. He did serve, and if he were a smarter candidate, he would have said simply, "I went. You didn't."

Georgiy Bush may have said he never served the time he owed the National

Guard, and all sorts of documents showing he did or did not may or may not have been forged. (Notice a pattern developing here?) If he were a smarter candidate and a better leader, he would have said, long ago, "Let's talk about my presidency, not my mispent youth."

The Vietnam era is history, left behind in the last century by two men who haven't spent the past three decades in limbo. They have other accomplishments, both good and less than successful, to discuss. There are also events more current than the 1970s, and they are not being sufficiently debated because, for some incomprehensible reason, Americans are not forcing the issues.

Just say who ponied up dough  
Herald-Journal, Spartanburg, S.C.

President Bush's campaign has found a way around the limits on how much money it can spend on advertising. Sen. John Kerry's campaign is now looking at adopting the same tactic.

The situation illustrates the futility of campaign finance laws.

Over and over again, campaign money flows like water, over and around any obstacle put in its way. ...

Some in Congress will complain and criticize. They are even likely to offer new bills to fix this loophole in the law. ... But the money will find a way around the law. And the same politicians who pass the new laws will take advantage of the new loopholes.

Congress should focus less on restricting the money and more on informing the voters. Let the candidates raise and spend the money.

But require them to immediately disclose and publish on the Internet their contributions and their expenses in detail.

Let candidates, politicians and independent groups spread their political message. That's part of an open and vital democratic process. But require them to let voters know who is paying for these messages.

As long as voters can obtain the information about political income and expenses, they can make their own judgments about what is appropriate and excessive.

Victims of the no-parent trap  
The Walla Walla (Wash.)  
Union-Bulletin

Do people want government to be our nanny? Apparently some folks do. A recent

study by the Kaiser Family Foundation found two-thirds of parents want the government to place tighter controls on sex and violence on television. And not just for broadcast TV. About half the parents wanted the government to crack down on sex and violence on cable channels.

So, are these parents doing their part to keep their kids from watching inappropriate TV shows? Nope.

In fact, just 15 percent of parents have taken advantage of the new technology mandated by the government, the V-chip, that allows parents to block specific programs. Just 40 percent of parents were even aware their TV had a V-chip.

Apparently it isn't good enough that the government took steps so parents could more easily control what their kids watch. No, parents want the government to do it all for them.

It's absurd. Parents need to parent. They, not the government, should set limits for their children.

FCC's true motives exposed  
Chicago Tribune

Eight months after the infamous Janet Jackson Super Bowl halftime show, the Federal Communications Commission finally calculated what a flash of her breast will cost CBS Television parent Viacom Inc. — \$550,000. That's the maximum fine of \$27,500 for each of Viacom's 20 CBS stations, for airing what FCC Chairman Michael Powell called "a stunt more fitting of a burlesque show."

He's right about that. The Jackson performance was either a clumsily staged publicity stunt or a bizarre accident.

But \$550,000? That's ridiculous overkill.

There's no public evidence that CBS had any advance knowledge or complicity in the famous "wardrobe malfunction." Nor did those stations have any significant role in what the network aired. Could they have reasonably avoided broadcasting it? No. Has the network moved to prevent such things from happening in the future, via time-delays of live broadcasts? Yes. ...

It's too bad Powell didn't listen to his own arguments and vote against the CBS fine. Instead, he played to the grandstands by slogging broadcasters with a chilling phrase: "The U.S. Constitution is generous in its protection of free expression, but it is not a license to thrill." ...

Politicians have pandered to outraged viewers and flogged this election-year issue enough.

## Spirited funeral

**IN** ST. JOHN — Ozella "Ozzie" McHargue's Christmas spirit was always evident — even at her holly, jolly funeral this week.

McHargue came up with the idea 17 months ago after being diagnosed with cancer. She said she didn't want depressing organ music at her funeral — she wanted songs like "Silver Bells" and "Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer."

She got her wish.

The funeral home was decked with holly, wreaths, mistletoe, poinsettias and a Christmas tree decorated with ornaments from friends and family. McHargue was placed in a custom-made red and green casket for her wake Monday.

Ozzie, a widow who died Sept. 22 at age 67, always sprang to life around Christmas, her family said. She enjoyed Santa, Frosty and her favorite, the Grinch.

"Mom was always cheesy with the decorating, too. Things weren't done until they were overdone," said Kristy Hudd, who wore a Christmas tree pin on her blouse.

## Grandparents busted

**PA** READING — A Luzerne County couple took their two grandchildren with them when they drove to Reading to buy heroin, police said.

William R. Davis, 47, of Ebervale, was charged with heroin possession, child endangerment and other offenses. He was taken to Berks County Prison on \$25,000 bail following a preliminary hearing Monday.

His wife, Vicki A. Davis, 47, faces identical charges and remains free awaiting further court action.

The two were arrested around 12:30 a.m. June 17 after they were stopped on state Route 61 in Shoemakersville. Patrolman Michael A. Cardell testified that he found 149 packets of heroin and two syringes in the Davis' car after he stopped him for driving without a tail light.

Their grandchildren, ages 7 and 3, were in the back seat, investigators said. Police called the children's mother to pick them up.

## Bold public proposal

**OH** COSHOCTON — Angela Clark made front-page headlines: "Rich Barker, will you marry me?"

Clark's proposal was published in the Coshocton Tribune on Saturday. Barker's answer, delivered to Tribune readers in Sunday's paper: "Yes."

Clark contacted the Tribune several weeks ago about proposing through the newspaper.

The proposal accompanied a photograph of Clark holding a box with a wedding band. Barker got the proposal, hidden in a box, during a family gathering for his 40th birthday at a restaurant.

"I've had a crush on him ever since I first saw him," Clark said. "It will be the second marriage for both. They plan to get married June 6, 2006."

## Dog kills dog at show

**MA** DENNIS — A pooch named Rafferty probably won't get any "Best in Show" awards after it mauled and killed a terrier at a Cape Cod dog show.

Evelyn Galloway, 74, and her

## AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Yorkshire terrier named Libby had just performed at "Pooches on Parade" at the Dennis Senior Center on Thursday when Rafferty, a nearly 100-pound Bouvier des Flandres, attacked Libby and "picked her up like a rag doll," Galloway said.

Three people had to wrestle the four-pound terrier out of the jaws of the "service dog" owned by Autumn Daniels, of Dennisport, who uses a wheelchair.

An on-duty animal control officer heard the commotion and rushed to help. Libby was rushed to an animal hospital in Hyannis, but died about 30 minutes into surgery, Galloway told The Cape Cod Times. The show continued after the incident, according to dog owner Estelle Hill.

## Cop jailed for dealing

**TX** HOUSTON — An ex-Houston police officer has been sentenced to 20 years in prison after pleading guilty to dealing cocaine and marijuana while on duty and in uniform.

Gilberto Zertuche, 43, an 18-year police department veteran, was sentenced Monday.

He was charged with providing protection for a deal in which a kilogram of cocaine — 2.2 pounds — and 100 pounds of marijuana were exchanged at an apartment in Humble on Feb. 24, prosecutors said.

While Zertuche was neither a buyer or a seller, he oversaw the transaction, and helped weigh the drugs and count the money, said Assistant District Attorney Julian Ramirez.

"He was in uniform and he was putting at ease any fears that the drug dealers, which in this case were undercover cops, might have had that they were going to be robbed or that something was going to go down," Ramirez told the Houston Chronicle.

## Face scanning

**NC** RALEIGH — North Carolina plans to begin scanning and digitizing the faces of people applying for or renewing driver's licenses, a measure officials said could help cut ID fraud and find suspected terrorists.

The face-recognition technology that goes into use at motor vehicle offices around the state Friday compares facial features with digital images in the agency's database to verify the identity of each applicant. The images will also be matched against those on federal terrorist watch lists.

The process uses computer software to define characteristics of each face being photographed for a license. Facial features measured by the computer include the distance between eyes, the width of the nose, the depth of eye sockets, and the location of cheekbones and the chin.

The measured features are then converted into a numerical code that can be read by computers that verify identity.

## 'Slow-moving billboard'

**WI** OSHKOSH — Why should elite athletes get all the big endorsement dollars and free stuff? That's what recently ran through the mind of Grace Lim, a back-of-the-pack marathon runner.

So Lim began asking for help — and got herself sponsored.

When the mother of two crossed the finish line Sunday at the Fox Cities marathon, the back of her shirt carried the name of a local company — Movin' Shoes Fox Valley — and a message that it's the store "Where everyone is No. 1."

She made her pitch in person to Movin' Shoes.

"I walked in and said, 'This is why you want to sponsor me: Customers are made of people like me — back-of-the-pack runners,'" she said.

She offered to be a "slow-moving billboard" for the specialty running store.

## Pants on fire, and more

**AR** PINE BLUFF — A man who set fire to a pair of pants he thought his wife was wearing during an affair accidentally torched his mobile home and has been charged with arson, police said.

Officers said Leroy Brown, 19, perceiving that his wife had been with another man, setting fire to the pair of pants, singing his fingers in the process.

Brown apparently dropped the pants after getting burned and the mobile home caught fire, detectives James Golden and Kelvin Hadley said.

Brown was detained on an arson charge after Tuesday's fire, pending a formal review by the prosecutor's office.



## A nice catch

Chris Perkins, of Putney, Vt., holds a 12.77 pound rainbow trout shortly after having the fish weighed in Brattleboro, Vt. He caught the fish in the Wallomasc River in Bennington County.



## Great wall of pumpkin

Reagan Herpich, 2, scales a pile of pumpkins at The Garden Spot in Independence, Mo.



## Spreading out

A Canada goose lifts off from a lake along Conner's Point in Superior, Wis.



**Tight fit** Darrell Euson of Euson Movers measures the width of a bridge before pulling across it in rural Otoe County, Nebraska.



**Remembering the fallen** Bill Deane stands with an 8-foot-tall tree he made of copper outside his Papillion, Neb., home. Every leaf of the tree is engraved with a name of a U.S. or coalition soldier killed in Iraq.



**Putting on a new coat** Geoff Daley with Beynon Sports Surfaces uses a shovel to apply new surface on part of Hayward Field in Eugene, Oregon.

## Shootout over chicken

**WV** BLUEWELL — A family meal erupted into a gun battle after a father and son clashed over how to cook chicken.

The two men argued Sunday over the best way to prepare skinless chicken for dinner.

"It started out as a physical confrontation, but it escalated until both of them were shooting at each other," Detective Sgt. A.D. Beasley of the Mercer County Sheriff's Department said Monday.

Beasley said each man fired a .22-caliber handgun at the other.

Harley Shrader was struck by a bullet that went through the upper part of his right ear and lodged in the back of his head. He was treated at a hospital and released. The elder Shrader was not injured.

Jackie Lee Shrader, 49, was charged with malicious wounding and wanton endangerment. Harley Lee Shrader, 24, was charged with wanton endangerment.

## Rapist to wed victim

**IN** SYRACUSE — A 38-year-old man has received up to three years in prison for third-degree rape, but his sentence will be postponed so he can marry his teenage victim.

Despite courtroom pleas Monday by his own lawyer and a lawyer representing his bride-to-be that the case shouldn't be prosecuted, Quinton Robinson, 38, of Syracuse accepted a plea bargain rather than go to trial.

Onondaga County Judge Joseph Fahey agreed to postpone sentencing until after Oct. 9, when Robinson plans to marry his girlfriend, who is now 19.

Robinson believed the girl, who was 16 when he moved in with her and her mother in 2002, was older, according to defense lawyer David Stanton.

## Duct-taped pants

**NY** DUNLAP — The father of a seventh-grader claims an assistant principal came up with a bizarre way to keep his son's pants from sagging in school: duct tape.

Scott Allison told the Concord School Board earlier this month that his 12-year-old son, Spencer, was ordered by a teacher to lift his shirt after she noticed the boy's underwear was showing above his pants, a violation of Concord Junior High School's dress code.

She sent him to Assistant Principal Patricia Walters, who told Spencer to pull up his pants and tuck in his shirt, Allison said.

"She then proceeded to duct tape his waist, three times around the waist," said Allison. "Then she sent him back to class, in front of his peers."

"This outrages me and shocks me," Allison said.

## School kitchen fails

**TX** DALLAS — The high school in the troubled Wilmer-Hutchins school district failed another kitchen inspection and students will continue to receive cold meals, officials said.

The meals are prepared off-campus and delivered in a refrigerated truck.

The latest inspection was Monday, conducted by Dallas County Health and Human Services officials.

Once the school notifies inspectors that violations have been corrected, health officials will revisit the campus for another inspection.

Also, the Texas Education Agency has sent the cash-strapped school district \$1.69 million to allow the district to pay teachers on Wednesday, officials said.

## QVC stalker

**PA** WEST CHESTER — A man who pleaded guilty to stalking a QVC on-air personality agreed Monday to stay away from the woman and the shopping network's studios in eastern Pennsylvania.

Peter Ferreira, 41, was arrested May 18 and charged with misdemeanor counts of stalking and harassment. He was accused of sending e-mails to QVC on-air personality Lisa Robertson at the network and following her.

Ferreira followed her from the studios to her home and other locations, including a movie theater where he was "close enough to Robertson that he could smell the popcorn she was eating," according to an arrest affidavit.

He was sentenced to 132 days of time already served, and was released after Monday's hearing. He was to be driven back to his home in Connecticut.

## Ford doesn't have to sell

**FL** SHALIMAR — A Panhandle judge says Ford Motor Co. can refuse to sell police cars to Florida law enforcement agencies that join a lawsuit against the automaker over fuel tank fires.

Circuit Judge G. Robert Barron has denied Okaloosa County Sheriff Charlie Morris' request that he order Ford to resume selling cars to his department. Ford has refused to sell any more Crown Victoria Police Interceptors to Morris since July 2003, a year after he filed suit.

The lawsuit claims the full-size, V-8 powered, four-door sedans have exploded in flames when struck from behind at high speed because of poor design, in some cases killing police officers. Last month, Barron granted class-action status, permitting hundreds of Florida law enforcement agencies to join the lawsuit. Barron says case law establishes a company's right to refuse to do business with any customer.

## Possible bear hunt suit

**MD** HAGERSTOWN — Animal-protection advocates filed a lawsuit Monday seeking to block Maryland's first bear hunt in 51 years, which they said was the product of flawed science.

State wildlife managers proposed the hunt in February after more than a decade of debate. They have said the two-week hunt, which would be limited to 30 bears and would begin Oct. 25, will help contain an increasingly troublesome resident population of black bears.

Officials estimate the bear population has grown from about a dozen in 1956 to an estimated 500 today, concentrated mainly in the state's far western mountains.

The DNR said 2,383 people applied for the hunt, which will be restricted to a total of 200 hunters.

Stories and photos from The Associated Press



## AFRTS Television Schedule

Updated sports listings are available on the first Scoreboard page in the sports section or AFN's Web site at <http://myafn.dodmedia.osd.mil/>

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2004

(AFN-FAMILY)	(AFN-MOVIE)	(AFN-EUROPE)	(AFN-KOREA)	(AFN-NEWS)	(AFN-SPORTS)	(SPECTRUM)	(AFN-PACIFIC)
9:00 House of Mouse	8:00 <b>Movie *** "All the Right Moves"</b>	<b>Movie *** "Madeline"</b> (1986) Comedy-Drama. Frances McDormand, Nigel Hawthorne.	<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Make It Count</b>	<b>PGA Golf WGC American Express Championship - Third Round</b> From Killybeg, Ireland. (Taped)	<b>Latin Lifestyles</b>	<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>
9:30 Animaniacs	<b>Movie *** "Hanky Panky"</b> (1982) Comedy. Tom Cruise. A straight-laced teenager gets involved with a prostitute.	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>America's Black Forum</b>		<b>Urban Style</b>	
10:00 <b>Ed, Edd &amp; Eddy</b>		<b>SpongeBob SquarePants</b>	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>The Chris Matthews Show</b>		<b>Fantasy Crawl</b>	
10:30 <b>Fillmore (E)</b>		<b>Destinations</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>NavyMarine Corps News</b>		<b>Roker on the Road</b>	
11:00 <b>Planet's Funniest Animals</b>	<b>Movie *** "Tom Gun"</b> (1987) Comedy-Drama. Frances McDormand, Nigel Hawthorne.	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>Smallville "Phoenix" (Part 2 of 2)</b>	<b>Big Story Weekend Edition</b>		<b>Radical Sabotage</b>	
11:30 <b>Rock News Special Edition</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>Smallville "Phoenix" (Part 2 of 2)</b>	<b>CNN Presents</b>		<b>All-American Festivals</b>	
12:00 <b>Happy Days</b>		<b>Sports</b>	<b>Smallville "Phoenix" (Part 2 of 2)</b>	<b>Boxing Ricardo Mayorga vs. Felix Trinidad (Taped)</b>		<b>The Soccer Orphan Show</b>	
13:00 <b>Movie *** "George of the Jungle"</b> (1997) Comedy. Brendan Fraser. Leslie Mann. A man takes to the skies to compete for high honors.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Movie *** "The Sum of All Fears"</b> (2002) Suspense. Ben Affleck, Morgan Freeman. Terrorists plot to detonate a nuclear bomb in the U.S.	<b>Fox and Friends</b>		<b>Toyota World of Wildlife</b>	
13:30 <b>Movie *** "A Good Good Thing"</b> (1982, Drama) Tom Cruise. Demi Moore. A Navy lawyer defends two Marines in a command's death.		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>Fox and Friends</b>		<b>Animal Adventures (E)</b>	
14:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>CBS News Sunday Morning</b>		<b>Nova</b> The life of molecular biologist Rosalind Franklin.	
15:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>Scrubz "My Two Dads"</b>		<b>Secrets of War "Shadows of the Six-Day War"</b>	
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16:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>Face the Nation</b>		<b>JAG "JAG TV"</b>	
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17:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>Latin Edition Primetime</b>		<b>America's Black Forum</b>	
18:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>	<b>Meet the Press</b>		<b>My Wife and Kids</b>	
18:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>The Bernie Mac Show</b>	
19:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Hope &amp; Faith</b>	
19:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Countdown to Green</b>	
20:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>NASCAR Racing Nextel Cup Series - EA Sports 500</b>	
20:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Last Comic Standing</b>	
21:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Navy MCIS "Sea Dog"</b>	
21:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Friends</b>	
22:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Seinfeld "The Dinner Party"</b>	
22:30 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>			<b>Mad TV</b>	
23:00 <b>Movie *** "1917 Dalmatians"</b> (1989, Adventure) Glenn Close, Jeff Daniels.		<b>WWE SmackDown!</b>	<b>Stargate SG-1 "Evolution"</b>				
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00:00 <b>SpongeBob SquarePants</b>	11:30 <b>Movie *** "Police Academy 5: Assignment Miami Beach"</b> (1988) George Gaynes.	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>NFL Football: Teams to Be Announced.</b>	<b>Austin City Limits "Rosanne Cash/The Desert Rose Band"</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>
00:30 <b>Rugrats</b>	<b>Movie *** "Wayne's World 2"</b> (1993, Comedy) Mike Myers, Dana Carney.	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Sesame Street (E)</b>	<b>Hope &amp; Faith</b>	<b>Sesame Street (E)</b>
1:00 <b>The Crocodile Hunter "River of the Damned"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Rugrats</b>	<b>The King of Queens</b>	<b>The King of Queens</b>
1:30 <b>America's Funniest Home Videos</b>	<b>Movie *** "Rain Man"</b> (1988, Drama) Dustin Hoffman, Tom Cruise, Valeria Golino. The Oscar-winning study of an autistic man and his brother.	<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Oprah Winfrey</b>	<b>Navy MCIS "Sea Dog"</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>
2:00 <b>America's Funniest Home Videos</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Friends</b>	<b>Oprah Winfrey</b>
2:30 <b>Clifford's Friends "The Fundamentals of Things Apply"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "The Dinner Party"</b>	<b>Oprah Winfrey</b>
3:00 <b>Clifford's Friends "The Fundamentals of Things Apply"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Breathingspace Yoga</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
3:30 <b>American Dreams "H-E-S-E-C-T"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Caribbean Workout</b>	<b>Judge Judy</b>
4:00 <b>American Dreams "H-E-S-E-C-T"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Body Shopping</b>	<b>Access Hollywood</b>
4:30 <b>Sesame Street (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Typical Mary Ellen</b>	<b>Guiding Light</b>
5:00 <b>Sesame Street (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>The View</b>	<b>General Hospital</b>
5:30 <b>Barney &amp; Friends (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Emreli Live</b>	<b>Recess (E)</b>
6:00 <b>Barney &amp; Friends (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>30 Minute Meals</b>	<b>ChadZone (E)</b>
6:30 <b>Dragon Tales (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Paula's Home Cooking</b>	<b>DragonTV</b>
7:00 <b>Dragon Tales (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Designers' Challenge</b>	<b>Kim Possible "Bueno Nacho"</b>
7:30 <b>Bob the Builder</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Fashion Emergency</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
8:00 <b>The Wiggles "Friends"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>The Soup</b>	<b>ESPNews</b>
8:30 <b>Dora the Explorer</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>The King of Queens</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
9:00 <b>Stanley "Visions at Work"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>That '70s Show</b>	<b>60 Minutes</b>
9:30 <b>Sesame-Street Cast</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Girlfriends "Jamaic-U"</b>	<b>Cold Case "Green"</b>
10:00 <b>Arthur (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Charged "Be Careful What You Wish For"</b>	<b>Alyc McNeal "Alone Again"</b>
10:30 <b>Between the Lions (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>WBNA Basketball Teams to Be Announced.</b>	<b>Any Day Now "It's About the Rain"</b>
11:00 <b>Sesame-Street Cast</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>ER "May Day"</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
11:30 <b>Stanley</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Law &amp; Order "Sift"</b>	<b>Access Hollywood</b>
12:00 <b>Dora the Explorer</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>The Simpsons</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
12:30 <b>The Wiggles "Your Body"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Everybody Loves Raymond</b>	<b>The Late Late Show</b>
13:00 <b>Blue's Clues "Pretend Time"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Weddings Gone Wild</b>	<b>Dennis Miller</b>
13:30 <b>Barney &amp; Friends (E)</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Law &amp; Order "Shangri-La"</b>	<b>Countdown With Keith Olsen</b>
14:00 <b>Furthest Home Videos</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>American Chopper "N.Y. Jets Blue"</b>	<b>Entertainment Studios.com</b>
15:00 <b>Full House "Look Be a Lady"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Friends</b>	<b>The Hot List</b>
15:30 <b>Pokemon "Dress and Don't"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "The Raincoats"</b>	<b>Headline News</b>
16:00 <b>Pokemon "Dress and Don't"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
16:30 <b>Mr-Gin "Face Off"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
17:00 <b>Hey Arnold! School dance.</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
17:30 <b>Rocket Power</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
18:00 <b>SpongeBob SquarePants</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
18:30 <b>Rugrats</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
19:00 <b>Lizzie McGuire</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
19:30 <b>Taina "En Espanol"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
20:00 <b>Smallville "Huggins"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
20:30 <b>Movie Meets World</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
21:00 <b>Movie Meets World</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
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22:00 <b>The Cosby Show</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
22:30 <b>Home Improvement</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>
23:00 <b>Touched by an Angel "The Feather"</b>		<b>Headline News</b>	<b>NFL Football: Falcons at Panthers or Saints at Cardinals</b>	<b>Dr. Phil</b>	<b>Seinfeld "Part 2 of 2"</b>	<b>Today</b>

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**Q** In a recent Pierce Brosnan film, the credits read "Mr. Brosnan's stand-in: Sean Brosnan." Is Sean a relative? — Geraldine DeBenedetto, Honolulu

**A** Sean, 21, is his son. He hopes to follow in his dad's well-shod footsteps and attends drama school in London. Incidentally, Pierce, 52, has four other children, including the two older kids of his late first wife, Cassandra, whom he adopted. One of them, Chris, 31, recently was arrested in a London nightclub and reportedly is in a clinic for substance abuse.

**Q** You said that Steve Martin's 40 guest appearances set a "Tonight Show" record. But in 1997, Rodney Dangerfield said he'd already been on 70 times. Who's right? — Leigh P., Pontotoc, Miss.

**A** Rodney's total includes more than official guest appearances: He enjoys an open invitation from Jay Leno to pop in and surprise other guests, such as when he startled singer Michael Bolton, who'd just done a Rodney impression. Incidentally, the "I get no respect" comic underwent brain surgery last year and had a heart valve replaced in August at age 82.



Martin — still Leno's most frequent guest.

**Q** My co-worker says Chelsea Clinton's newfound beauty is a result of cosmetic surgery. I say she has been working with a stylist. Who's right? — W.G. Weinzierl, Madison, Ala.

**A** We suspect it's a bit of both. Her rep would not confirm either but did say that Chelsea, 24, is still hot and heavy with longtime beau Ian Klaus, also 24. We hear that the two are living together (they deny they're engaged) in New York City, where Chelsea earns six figures as a marketing consultant.

**Q** In addition to being an actress, Jane Seymour is an artist. When did she start painting? — J.L., Raleigh, N.C.

**A** "I began studying watercolor around 1991 to help me ahead from a tough time in my life," Jane, 53, tells us. "I'd just lost my dad, my third marriage was breaking up, and I was on the brink of bankruptcy." Today, her paintings fetch up to \$35,000.

**Q** Is it true that Fiji-born PGA star Vijay Singh was once banned from playing golf for cheating? — Kenneth Rose, Ocala, Fla.

**A** Yes, Vijay — who just replaced Tiger Woods as the world's top-ranked male golfer — was banned from the Asian tour in 1985 after being accused of altering a scorecard to make a cut. (He denies it.) The ban had a silver lining, however, as Vijay spent two years in Borneo perfecting his swing before re-emerging in Britain in 1987. Now 41, he has won \$35 million, including nearly \$9 million this year.



Golfer Vijay Singh was banned on allegations of cheating in 1985, but has been on top of the world in 2004.



Laila Ali, left, connects against boxing foe Gwendolyn O'Neil on Sept. 24 during an International Women's Boxing Federation light heavyweight title fight. Legendary boxer Muhammad Ali isn't a big fan of daughter Laila's time in the ring.



Wynnona Judd, right, poses with sister Ashley at a celebrity event Sept. 24. Wynnona, who has seen her share of trouble lately, is throwing her weight into her singing tour.

**Q** We caught Wynnona Judd on TV recently and were shocked at how she looked. Does she have weight problems? — Don and Nancy Pounds, Festus, Mo.

**A** Wy, 40, has always been a big girl, and she's had weightier problems in recent years: the death of her dad (a man she'd never met), a costly divorce, the sale of her farm, an arrest for drunken driving and the loss of her license. But now she's doing what she loves — singing onstage. Her tour ends next month.

**Q** How does Muhammad Ali feel about daughter Laila's boxing career? — Tim Ward, Reno, Nev.

**A** He doesn't like it. Ali, 62, was told that blows to the head led to his Parkinson's, and he fears that Laila, 26, could get hurt, too. She has ignored his warnings.

**Q** Saudi Crown Prince Abdullah says he's really serious about stamping out terrorism. Do you believe him? — Todd Bernstein, Miami, Fla.

**A** We're underwhelmed by the evidence. Rather, we'd note that the Saudis rely heavily on Westerners to run their oilfields, and Abdullah has launched a public-relations offensive to convince these technicians that it's safe to work in his country. As they say in Arabic: Inshallah — God willing.

**Q** In your opinion, what are the best film themes of all time? — Debra Friguli, Sisters, Ore.

**A** Our Top 10: "Gone With the Wind," by Max Steiner; "Raindrops Keep Fallin' on My Head," from "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid," by Burt Bacharach; "Dr. Zhivago" and "Lawrence of Arabia," by Maurice Jarre; "Moon River," from "Breakfast at Tiffany's"; and "The Pink Panther Theme," by Henry Mancini; "The Magnificent Seven," by Elmer Bernstein; "Star Wars," by John Williams; "The James Bond Theme," by Monty Norman; and "Do Not Forsake Me" from "High Noon," by Dimitri Tiomkin.

## Sunday Horoscope

**OCTOBER 3, 2004** Venus glides into the discerning realm of Virgo, where she'll be until Oct. 28. The beautiful planet gets a kind of cosmic line-up in Virgo, like a well-tended woman's day at the spa. Beauty, after all, comes with the cost of maintenance. This is the perfect time to zero in on what needs attention in regards to physical appearance and inner beauty.

**TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (October 3).** You're prolific and will fill the world with your works this year. The person you align yourself with is the single most important factor to what you experience this month.

So stand with the big winners. Adventure is featured in November. Be willing to travel far to get what you need. Career goals are met in January. Your heart is full in the love news. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 45, 53 and 112.

**ARIES (March 21-April 19).** Heated situations crop up, and you seem to be in the center of the excitement. Your opinion is very different from that of others around you, so be aware of when you're slipping up controversy. Break your own rules tonight.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20).** Horizons are featured, but you have to seek them and be willing to go when called. Be open to unexpected gifts, skepticism aside. Some-one wants nothing more than to share his or her happiness about life.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 21).** When you're away from observing people, you're in heaven. Kick back, and take care of yourself. Notice subtle patterns in your emotions and in your health. This helps you get into the peak performance zone when you need to.

**CANCER (June 22-July 22).** This is a day for doing something out of character — like maybe dreaming of distant shores. There are so many beautiful places in the world you've yet to experience. Make a list, and start planning your travels.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).** People who make you feel comfortable are your favorite companions. You feel the pressure to put on airs or even

be fabulously entertaining? Treat everyone equally.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).** Service is high on the ladder of spirituality, and you find fulfilling ways to make yourself useful now. Loved ones may seem to be miles away, but their thoughts will return to you this evening. Expect nothing, and you get everything.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).** Collecting data and being a fast learner are the orders of the day. You'll get something valuable from being invisible in a situation tonight — your fly-on-the-wall status is much better than being the center of attention could ever be.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).** Fit your mind with pleasant thoughts about others. Though you're a master of intrigue, you wouldn't want to be accused of being emotionally unavailable, would you? Deep connections are forged with open communication tonight.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).** There's culture to be experienced, but it's not obvious. Research the newspaper's entertainment section.

You may have to drive to the next town! It's worth it if you're pursuing high-minded activities.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).** You hold an honored place among family. You can't change your position by refusing to engage in gossip without making the offending party feel guilty. Tonight brings the chance to give recognition and accept responsibility.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).** Though you have less in common than ever with an old friend, it's still important to keep in touch. The feeling of connection you get keeps you in tune with all humanity.

Also, being a little sentimental softens your thoughts.

**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).** Your quality of life comes into question. You'll peek through a window into the future. Do you see what you see? If not, now's your opportunity to do something about it.

Your digestion is delicate tonight — stick to "safe" foods.

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## Origins of 'shaggy-dog' stories

There are two basic kinds of shaggy-dog stories: long drawn-out circumstantial story concerning an inconsequential happening that impresses the teller as humorous but the hearer as boring and pointless, or a similar humorous story whose humor lies in the pointlessness or irrelevance of the punch line.

Of course, such stories have probably been around since language began, but they weren't known as shaggy-dog stories until about 1946.

It appears that shaggy-dog stories got their name from one such popular story, or perhaps more than one, which featured a shag-

gy dog.

A man in London (or Scotland) is looking to buy a very shaggy dog (or he's lost his own). He advertises in the London Times, and a man from New York (or Montreal or Australia), after searching high and low, believes he has found just the dog. After enduring a long and complicated journey, the man arrives with the dog, only to have the man who advertised slam the door in his face, muttering "Not that shaggy!"

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## Third time with girlfriend probably will not be charm

**Dear Abby:** I met "Monique" six years ago and immediately fell hard for her. We dated for about a month.

At the time, she was also seeing someone else. Then one night Monique called me and said she was only going to date one guy, and it wasn't me.

Three and a half years later, she called me one of the blue and said she wanted to see me again. I was thrilled. We dated for a month, then Monique told me she didn't want to have a relationship. I was hurt again.

Seven months later, my phone rang. It was Monique saying she wanted to see me. She came over and we should get married because her daughters need to live in a better neighborhood.

It has now been more than a year. Monique says she loves me and wants commitment. She is 30 and has been divorced three times. I love her, but the way she treated me in the past makes me question whether I should trust her. Should I throw caution to the wind and propose anyway?

**Crazy About Her**  
in Mobile, Ala.

Read Crazy About Her: No Pay attention to her misgivings.

They are the voice of your intuition trying to warn you. If you are determined to marry her, do not propose without first having consulted a lawyer and drafting a prenuptial agreement. I won't save you from the risk of heartache, but it could save you from economic disaster later on.

**Dear Abby:**

I am in my 70s. My wife and I live in a house across the street from two middle-aged ladies.

Recently some limbs from one of their trees fell onto their lawn, so I went into their yard to remove them. Rather than welcoming my help, they were upset that I went into their yard without being invited.

Abby, I was raised to help ladies, especially those living alone. I was taught that when help was needed to fix a flat tire or to do some heavy lifting, to step forward without being asked. Has the world changed so much that I was off base in doing this? We live in a small neighborhood where most people help each other and get along well. However, their reactions really bothered me.

—Hurt Neighbor, Coweta, Okla.

**Dear Hurt Neighbor:** You weren't off base; you are a gentleman of the old school. Your neighbors, however, may have been raised to be independent and not to rely on a man's help for anything.

Feeling as they do, they should have posted a "No Trespassing" sign on their property. However, now that you know what they feel about their "urf," don't go into their yard unless invited — if then.

**Dear Abby:** I have a short-sleeved red "church" dress. What color shoes should I wear with it? It's almost impossible to find a red shoe that matches. Should I wear black or tan/taupe?

—Kimmie in Auburn, Ala.

**Dear Kimmie:** During the spring and summer, accessorizing with white would be attractive. In the winter, accessorizing with black would be acceptable. Or take your dress to your shoe repair shop and ask if a pair of your shoes could be dyed to match it.

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## Quiet husband keeps his wife in the dark about latest news

**Dear Annie:** I have been married for over 25 years to the same man.

"Phil" has never been much of a talker, but for the past year or two, he's told me nothing at all. And I do mean nothing.

People have passed away, and I would find out from the person I'm family a month or two later. They would say, "We told Phil." But of course, Phil didn't tell me.

Or if someone has a problem at his job or with a family member, Phil never tells me if he spoke to them or not.

When I ask him if I am a person in question, I'll be told about the confrontation and the great advice Phil gave. Of course, I look totally stupid.

I am tired of being kept in the dark about his man's life, his thoughts, relationships and day-to-day existence. I tell Phil everything because he is my partner and I respect his opinion. He, on the other hand, has no problem saying "I love you," that he confides in the dog more than me.

Any ideas on what to do?

—Frustrated in Denver  
Dear Denver: Since this is a

fairly recent development, it's possible Phil's memory isn't as retentive as it used to be. By the time he sees you, he's probably forgotten these episodes. Would it help to prod him a bit? ("Did you know anyone we know today?")

Either way, you ought to mention to Phil how much this bothers you, and ask him to try harder to keep you in the loop. If that doesn't help, we advise letting it slide. If friends are surprised that you didn't know something, simply say, "Oh, you know Phil. He must have forgotten to tell me."

**Annie's Mailbox**



**Dear Annie:** I had to respond to "Seeking Some Peace and Quiet," who complained that her neighbor "Mrs. Jones" calls for her cat quite loudly at all hours of the day and night. My neighbors could have written that letter, because my name is Mrs. Jones and I do the same thing. I call my cat loudly and often.

I am a considerate neighbor, but we didn't stop calling my cat for anyone. The only safe place for my cat overnight is in my house.

These same neighbors would undoubtedly complain if the cat was in their yard, leaving paw prints on their cars or digging at their plants. You'd think they would be happy to have me call him.

I don't become angry with my neighbors when they rev their engines early in the morning or blow their leaf clippings in the street, or when their teenagers noisily stroll in at 2 a.m.

Considerate neighbors tolerate the little things, are quick with a smile and slow to call the police.

—Also Seeking Peace in West Chester, Pa.

**Dear Seeking Peace:** Yes, neighbors should try to tolerate the little things, but anything that keeps your neighbors truly at night after night, is not a "little thing."

If you are doing that, please start calling your cat home earlier in the evening so that you aren't hollering out the windows at midnight. Everyone will be grateful.

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## RELIGION

## A 'Jewish 007'

## Rabbi dedicates his life to restoring torahs hidden during the Holocaust

BY KATHERINE SHAVER

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Menachem Youlus, a Wheaton, Md., rabbi, said two other men had been digging for about two hours on a farm in Ukraine when, five feet into the earth, they found the sea of bones.

The remains of 263 men, women and children still were shrouded in clothing that bore the Star of David, which Jews were forced to wear during the Holocaust. Youlus also discovered what looked to be military body bags.

Inside, he found two cherished items, badly deteriorated but Holocaust survivors just the same: They were Torahs, sacred handwritten scrolls that contain the five Books of Moses.

Discovered four years ago, the scrolls are two of more than 400 Torahs that Youlus and a team of scribes have unearthed from a dark past. Youlus has spent the past 19 years scouring Eastern Europe for them, then working with fellow scribes to restore the scrolls and find them new homes.

"Many of the Torahs come from communities that were completely destroyed in the Holocaust," said Youlus, 43.

"No one is left from these towns," he said. "The only thing that survived is these Torahs." "The rest of Torahs have come his way without any digging. In Ukraine, he bought one from a former Nazi sergeant who said he confiscated it from a man enter-

ing Auschwitz. Youlus discovered another being sold in pieces to artists who were using the sacred parchment as canvas. Some he smuggled out of then-Communist countries, two panels at a time, in the lining of luggage.

"He's an intrepid Jewish 007," said Rabbi Moshe Shaul, ritual director for Chizuk Amuno, a Baltimore synagogue that has two of Youlus' rescued Torahs.

"You wouldn't look at him twice," said Shaul, whose parents were Holocaust survivors. "But he puts himself in such impossible situations to find, retrieve and resurrect these scrolls."

At his family's store, the Jewish Bookstore of Greater Washington in Wheaton, Youlus and a team of scribes try to repair 60 years worth of damage from mildew, heat, dirt, bugs and rodents. On many Torahs, Youlus said, he also finds bayonet marks and cigarette burns from Nazi desecration.

After using an infrared camera attached to a scanner that shows cracked letters and other details the naked eye can miss, Youlus and his team painstakingly re-ink each one by hand with a goose or turkey quill. Each Torah contains about 302,000 Hebrew letters. It requires hours of concentration.

Youlus often does his work with his brother-in-law, Rabbi Ayson Englander, at the bookstore. Cardboard boxes containing 40 to 50 Torahs, some new, are stacked to its 20-foot ceiling. It takes between seven weeks and



Rabbi Menachem Youlus, left, dedicates a Torah at the Sixth and I Historic Synagogue in Washington in honor of Stan and Ellen Ducat. Also present are Stan Cohen, his wife, Sue Ducat, and daughter Hannah Cohen. The Torah was recovered by Youlus in Poland, part of a life's dedication to restoring the sacred texts.

six months to repair a Torah. Youlus estimates they are able to restore about 85 percent of them.

When he's done, Youlus finds them new homes in synagogues, schools and Jewish community centers across the country.

"He's one of the world's great people," said Rick Zitelman, a Rockville, Md., investment and merchant banker. Zitelman and his wife, Cindy, helped buy one of Youlus' Torahs for Sixth and I Historic Synagogue on the edge of Washington's Chinatown.

Youlus — who has a Web site devoted to his mission, [www.savaetorah.org](http://www.savaetorah.org) — estimates that as many as 2,400 scrolls survived the Holocaust. He believes so strongly in saving them that he has gone into debt \$170,000 to finance his work, he said.

Perhaps nothing captures the intrigue and often profound sadness of Torah rescue as Youlus' gruesome discovery in Kamenets-Podolsk, a small town in Ukraine.

A hand-drawn map, marked with an "X" surrounded by a large circle, led to an overgrown area of a farm. Youlus said the farmer made him pay to buy the plot of land before he could dig on it.

Youlus said, he eventually hired a company with a backhoe to unearth the mass grave and the hidden Torahs.

"That was a little more than I bargained for," Youlus said.

Elderly people in the town recalled four Jewish men being forced to bury the massacred bodies, Youlus said. Those men likely

saved the Torahs from a nearby synagogue by wrapping them in the body bags and sneaking them into the grave.

Youlus credits his zeal for Torah rescue to a "deal" he struck with God 21 years ago. He was a 22-year-old accountant when his father and his sister's boyfriend were struck by a car while crossing a road near their synagogue.

Youlus said doctors told him to begin making burial arrangements.

If God would save their lives, he prayed, he would devote a year to studying the Torah. Both men survived.

He didn't know then, he said, that he would end up devoting the rest of his life to saving it.

Karl Evanz of the Washington Post contributed to this report.

## Church dig discovers history: Centuries-old markers

BY BONNIE NAUMANN

The News Leader of Staunton, Va.

CHURCHVILLE, Va. — Infant daughter of George and Martha Sherman, Anna Accord and Mary Hanger.

Their lives ended in the 1700s and 1800s, but their history was just reborn.

Headstones marking the earthly passage of about a dozen Augusta County residents were unearthed Aug. 24 during construction work at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, said member Tom Linson.

In August, members decided to build a fellowship hall and pastor's office. Because a stream flows behind the church and a few shops are situated to the west, members nervously chose to expand toward the east.

Several yards away was a cemetery began in 1790 by German settlers, Linson said.

"That was our biggest concern when we initially started this project," Linson said. "We had no idea what we were going to find."

On Aug. 16, as workers with Cliff Miller Construction of Bridgewater began to work, residents and neighboring business owners also got the jitters. Sherry Shaffer, who owns nearby Winkler's Video, said her customers were discussing it. "They said, 'Weren't there graves over there?'"

Arch records didn't show graves in the 35-by-65 foot space, Linson said. But older church members remembered the area was used as a dump before World War II.



"There was no indication of actual graves, just trash," said foreman Mark Senger.

On Aug. 24, an excavating tool struck a tombstone, cracking it in three pieces. Linson said. Beneath it, a pile of nine other headstones were stacked like cards and others were scattered nearby, Senger said.

At the first sight of a headstone, Miller contacted Linson, who asked that stones be piled out of harm's way in the graveyard. On Monday, only a few names were legible in the pile.

The finding is like gold for local historians. Katharine Brown, a county Historical Society board member, said she hopes the church will get help from Virginia Department of Historic Resources with cleaning and repair work.

"Some of the engravings can be delicate and may not survive even a rubbing," Brown said.



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Above: Workmen from Cliff Miller Construction Co., Inc., continue work at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Churchville, Va., on Sept. 27. An assortment of tombstones were uncovered while excavating alongside the church recently. Left: A tombstone, which once marked the grave of George and Lydia Sherman's infant who died Oct. 6, 1833, rests on top and among other such markers in the graveyard next to St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Churchville.



## YOUR MONEY

## Letter will make last wishes clear when you can't

Susie Besaw, from the book "The Savvy Sailor's Spouse," is new to the military lifestyle but is eager to learn more about how to manage her family and her new lifestyle through the monthly Family Readiness Group meetings of her husband, Jake's, new command. Last week, Cmdr. Brown talked about estate planning.

"Can anyone tell me the three estate planning documents everyone should have?"

Evelyn raised her hand. "Will, medical power of attorney and medical directive."

"Exactly," the commander said. "Remember to make an appointment with your base legal to go over these documents. This discussion is only a review."

"A will — or our personal declaration of where we want everything to go after we are gone — should instruct the executor of our last wishes, including:

■ Where to distribute or dispose of our belongings.

■ Who takes care of our minor children.

■ Your wishes for funeral arrangements.

"To help your executor sort out your estate, I also recommend including an informal letter of instruction along with your will telling your executor about the location of your personal property and documents binder, the location of any valuables, jewelry and other family treasures; and a list of those individuals that should be notified after your death. This letter will save your executor much effort."

"You mentioned durable power of attorney," a lieutenant asked. "What is the difference between a power of attorney and a durable power of attorney? I gave my wife a power of attorney to sell our house when I left early from my last station."

"You are talking about a specific power of attorney for a specific item with a specific time period," Brown replied. "The durable power of attorney is different. In general, the durable power of attorney appoints somebody to take care of your affairs if you are unable — up to the time you die — and does not have a specific time limit."

"Our durable power of attorney is normally invoked if you are physically or mentally incapable of taking care of yourself. The per-

son appointed by your durable power of attorney uses it to act as if they were you, for everything: to care for your family, pay bills, manage your investments, maintain your home and car, and anything else that needs to be done. It is important that you understand that the durable power of attorney lasts until you regain your health or when you will take over after you die. Pick your personal representative carefully for your durable power of attorney."

"Finally, your medical directive instructs your doctors of your medical-treatment wishes if you cannot give instructions yourself."

"Can't my spouse just decide how I am to be medically treated?" the lieutenant asked.

"Yes," Brown replied. "If you don't have a medical directive, the doctors will ask your wife first for guidance. But don't leave any room for interpretation. Write your treatment wishes down."

"Can you give us an example?" I asked.

"Yes, there are many scenarios," Brown replied. "My medical directive spells out how I want to be treated by my doctors in certain serious situations, such as comas. If I am in a coma for a long period, I don't want heroic measures taken to keep me alive. I worked hard over the past 15 years to build my estate for my family, and I don't want my family's finances to be wiped out by catastrophic medical bills. A written medical directive spells out my wishes clearly."

"Now let's take a quick five-minute break before we discuss executor duties and then government benefits. This executor stuff is heavy. A break will help clear your minds."

Everyone stood up and stretched. Several people left the room for some fresh air.

Next week, Cmdr. Brown goes over the MPCP's personal and legal books.

Copies of Ralph Nelson's books — "The Savvy Sailor" and "The Savvy Naval Officer" — can be purchased by writing to: Master Plan Inc., 500 N. Washington St., P.O. Box 10071, Rockville, MD 20849 or online at [www.savvynaval.com](http://www.savvynaval.com). This article is written and the book is edited by the understanding that neither the author nor Stars and Stripes are professional financial advisers. If you need advice, please seek professional assistance. The author specifically disclaims any liability, legal or personal or otherwise — incurred as a consequence, directly or indirectly, of using or applying any of the information contained in this article or the book. Write to: "Feedback" to [finance@stripes.osd.mil](mailto:finance@stripes.osd.mil)



Ralph Nelson



AP photos

From left, customers Kumiko Takahashi, Shizuo Sakabe and Midori Abe examine a Coach bag at one of the New York-based company's 100-plus outlets around Japan on Sept. 16.

## Coach pushes European big-names out of Japan

By YURI KAGEYAMA

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Walking down a street in Tokyo, it doesn't take long to spot women clutching Coach bags.

Coach, the New York-based maker of fine leather goods, is succeeding where other American companies have struggled, winning over finicky Japanese customers who have long preferred European and home-grown brands.

With more than 100 retail outlets in Japan, Coach's sales here tripled over the past three years to about 30 billion yen, or about \$270 million, and business in Japan now makes up more than a fifth of its global sales.

Japanese buyers are passionate about the leather and fabric bags and totes.

"We always wanted a Coach bag," said Akiko Yamaguchi, a university student visiting a Coach store with her mother, who bought two bags for her daughter's 20th birthday. "I'd like to buy lots more if I can."

Coach is so popular that, at the recent opening of its store in the northern city of Sapporo, dozens of women lined up to be among the first to set foot in the shop.

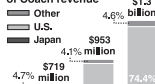
Known for its craftsmanship, Coach is now the No. 2 imported bag and accessory brand in Japan in sales, just trailing France's Louis Vuitton, a favorite here for decades. Coach sells in department stores around the country, and it has four flagship boutiques totally devoted to its products, with two more opening this year.

"We have a unique brand proposition. We are an accessible luxury

## Coach's new bag

Bag manufacturer Coach Inc. has nearly doubled its annual revenue over the past two years due in large part to the company strengthening its foothold in Japan.

## Geographic distribution of Coach revenue



NOTE: Coach's fiscal years end in June.

SOURCE: The company

AP

ry accessories brand in which we offer extremely well-made products that are relevant to Japanese consumers' lifestyles at very attractive prices," Coach chief executive Lew Frankfort said during a recent visit to Tokyo. "We think the opportunities are abundant."

Coach keeps prices down — as much as half or a third of European rivals — by maintaining low-cost suppliers and producing the bags in Chinese plants where workers are trained and supervised by Coach to maintain quality.

Still, the bags are not cheap, giving them the luxury-goods aura Japanese shoppers demand. A Coach tote costs about \$700, but smaller bags cost about \$400.

It also has helped Coach that the Japanese culture is brand-conscious. Even in the samurai era, people kept abreast of fashions, coveting brands in noodles, kimonos and bonsai plants.

Being out of touch with what's hip is potentially embarrassing in Japan, and even costly for your career.

The brand loyalty of Japanese often backfires on many American companies trying to break into the market here, although the Gap retail chain, Coca-Cola and Disneyland have been huge hits. Ford Motor Co., Burger King, Gateway and Dunkin' Donuts haven't found Japanese buyers as welcoming.

"Coach is a case study in cracking the Japan luxury market," said Naomi Moriyama, president of New York-based The Moriyma Group, a marketing consulting firm. "Coach is winning in Japan because of intensive consumer research, superb product quality and customer service, stunning new stores and a constant flow of new products."

Japanese are snatching up Coach bags not only in Japan, but also abroad as tourists. The same handbags are cheaper overseas because of Japanese taxes on imports as well as the costs of shipping and store space here. And some Japanese women say their loyalty to the Coach brand developed during shopping trips abroad.

Moriyama said Japan is filled with serious "power-shoppers," who see collecting brands as critical for status and self-expression, accounting for 40 percent of the world's luxury sales.

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# YOUR MONEY

## Middle-class advisers wanted

Q: My husband and I have tried to find a good certified financial planner in our area, but we don't know what to look for.

We met briefly with one planner who taught an adult education class on finance, but she seemed to be really pushing one particular brand of annuity investment, and we wondered if it was ethical for her to be using such a class to generate business.

After that experience, I checked our local Yellow Pages and phoned a financial planner — who proceeded to tell me that the Yellow Pages wasn't a good way to find a financial planner.

We are in our late 30s, own our own home, have no credit card debt, always have something in savings and put the maximum in our 401(k)s each year. We feel that we are in good shape compared with many of the people we know. But we help us find a reputable financial planner in our area?

A: You're right to question the first planner's ethics, and not just because she was using her class to drum up clients.

The fact that she was pushing annuities without first spending a lot of time gathering detailed information about your financial situation tells us that she's more interested in her potential commission than in your financial well-being.

The second planner had a point, but you have to wonder why he bothered to place the ad in the first place.

The conventional wisdom is that you should ask friends and neighbors for referrals, but chances are they don't use a planner — or they may have one who is fleeing them or who is incompetent, and they don't know it.

The real problem for people in your situation is that

many of the best, brightest and most objective financial planners restrict their practice to "high net worth" individuals — in other words, the rich.

Many require their clients to have a minimum amount of investable assets, often \$250,000 or more outside of workplace retirement plans.

It's also common for these planners to charge a percentage of your assets, rather than a flat hourly fee, which can be an expensive way to go if your need for financial planning is relatively limited.

Still, there are fee-only financial planners out there who specialize in middle-income clients. Some are part of the Garrett Planning Network ([www.garrettplanningnetwork.com](http://www.garrettplanningnetwork.com)), a relatively new organization that was formed to address the gaping need for affordable financial planning.

You also can contact organizations that represent financial planners, such as the Financial Planning Association and the National Association of Personal Financial Advisors, for referrals to their members who offer hourly or flat-rate planning.

In addition, contact the Certified Financial Planner Board of Standards for its free resource kit for consumers, which includes "What You Should Know About Financial Planning," "10 Questions to Ask When Choosing a Financial Planner" and "Your Rights as a Financial Planning Client."

You can get the kit at [www.cfp.net](http://www.cfp.net) or by calling (888) 237-6275.

Obviously, you'll need to do some legwork to find the right planner. Good luck in your quest.

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### Money Talk



Liz Pulliam Weston



Pedestrians pass by a Coach store in Tokyo this month.

## Bags: Japan market opens up for Coach

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Many are single women who live with their parents, but a growing group of brand-conscious "power seniors" and women executives are likely to keep this nation an important luxury market for years, Moriyma said.

Stuck in small cramped homes, Japanese tend to splurge on things like bags rather than larger goods like fancy furniture. A Japanese woman spends four times her American or European counterpart on accessories, according to Coach.

But it's not just the cachet that has won over Japanese shoppers. The same qualities that have appealed to Americans are luring consumers here.

"The leather on Coach bags is so soft, and the designs aren't as cluttered as other brands," said Shizuyo Sakabe, a 47-year-old housewife, who owns a Coach bag and wallet. She summed up her feelings: "I love Coach."

## FRIDAY'S MARKET SUMMARY

INDEXES				
52-week	Low	High	Net Chg	% Chg
High	Low	High	Net Chg	% Chg
10,253.3	9,238.47	10,193.85	+112.35	+1.11
3,217.62	2,689.65	3,298.88	+55.29	+1.70
2,432.26	2,015.88	2,432.26	+18.38	+0.75
6,788.12	5,514.48	6,788.12	+92.51	+1.37
1,227.92	994.38	1,227.92	+17.54	+1.43
2,153.28	1,750.82	2,153.28	+46.36	+2.19
1,163.23	992.36	1,163.23	+15.87	+1.35
507.09	397.50	507.09	+18.59	+3.66
696.42	488.13	696.42	+12.69	+2.11
11,317.14	9,595.20	11,317.14	+103.23	+0.91

NYSE				
Most Active	Vol	(\$1 or more)	Most Active	Vol
Alcoa	589,051	11.11	Nasdaq	1,486,897
Alcoa	321,084	3.16	SPDR	610,053
Alcoa	30,919	36.11	SPDR	277,615
Alcoa	24,644	1.28	SPDR	78,013
Alcoa	20,748	12.02	SPDR	72,747
Alcoa	19,856	14.39	SPDR	48,911
Alcoa	19,737	12.00	SPDR	48,911
Alcoa	19,737	12.00	SPDR	48,911
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KEY DEFENSE STOCKS				
Name	High	Low	Net Chg	% Chg
Alcoa	589,051	11.11	+112.35	+1.11
Alcoa	321,084	3.16	+18.38	+0.75
Alcoa	30,919	36.11	+92.51	+1.37
Alcoa	24,644	1.28	+17.54	+1.43
Alcoa	20,748	12.02	+46.36	+2.19
Alcoa	19,856	14.39	+15.87	+1.35
Alcoa	19,737	12.00	+18.59	+3.66
Alcoa	19,737	12.00	+12.69	+2.11
Alcoa	19,737	12.00	+103.23	+0.91

KEY MUTUAL FUNDS				
Name	High	Low	Net Chg	% Chg
Fidelity Asset Growth	36.32	+41.0	+0.9	+2.5
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## EXCHANGE RATES

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Euro (Oct 4)	\$1.2737
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Japanese yen (Oct. 4)	\$1.1880
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	\$1.7889
British pound	\$1.85
Canada (Dollar)	\$1.2920
Denmark (Krone)	\$5.9672
Egypt (Pound)	\$1.2200
Euro	\$1.2737
Hong Kong (Dollar)	\$7.785
Hungary (Forint)	\$1.9978
Indonesia (Rupiah)	\$1.765
Israel (Shekel)	\$4.8803
Japan (Yen)	\$1.1040
Kuwait (Dinar)	\$0.2946
Norway (Krone)	\$6.7419
Philippines (Peso)	\$56.28
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	\$2.75
Singapore (Dollar)	\$1.14750
South Korea (Won)	\$1.14750
Switzerland (Franc)	\$1.137
Thailand (Baht)	\$1.492571
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## Cents and Sensibility

### Interview topics

NEW YORK — It was once considered a faux pas for recruiters to ask about your family life or political affiliation. Today it is more common to be asked about these and other personal matters during a job interview.

It is illegal to discriminate based on gender, race, national origin, sexual preference, religion, age or disability. Interviewers usually avoid asking questions on those subjects and other issues that are not directly work-related, especially if it opens up the potential that an applicant can claim he or she was discriminated against.

But personal topics do arise, especially if they may affect your ability to do your job, according to M. Rose Jones, TV's Job Doctor and author of the new book, "Can I Lie on My Resume?" A recruiter might ask about your family, for example, if the job in question requires extensive travel or long hours. He or she might ask about your physical health if the job requires heavy lifting.

If you're asked a personal question during an interview, Jones recommends a light ap-

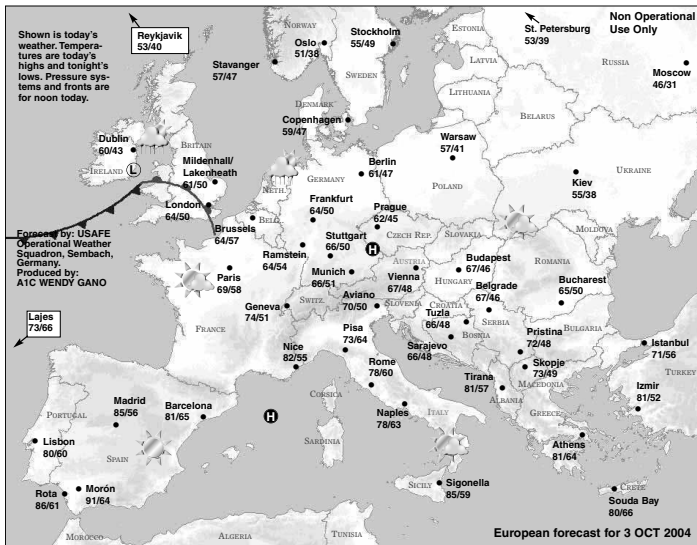
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## EUROPEAN FORECAST

**Benelux:** Partly to mostly cloudy with rain early in the morning and rain showers early in the afternoon. Highs in the mid 60s, Monday lows in the upper 50s.

**Britain, Ireland:** Mostly cloudy with rain showers in the afternoon and gusty winds. Highs in the lower to mid 60s, Monday lows in the lower 40s to lower 50s.

**Croatia and Bosnia:** Mostly cloudy with fog in the morning. Highs in the mid 60s, Monday lows in the upper 40s.

**France:** Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 80s, Monday lows in the lower to upper 50s.

**Northern Germany:** Partly to mostly cloudy with rain showers in the early morning. Highs in the lower to mid 60s, Monday lows in the lower to mid 50s.

**Southern Germany:** Mostly cloudy with fog and rain showers in the morning, and rain showers in the early afternoon. Highs in the mid 60s, Monday lows in the lower to mid 50s.

**Hungary:** Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 60s, Monday lows in the mid 40s.

**Northern Italy:** Partly to mostly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s to mid 80s, Monday lows in the lower 50s to mid 60s.

**Southern Italy:** Partly cloudy. Highs in the upper 70s to mid 80s, Monday lows in the upper 50s to lower 60s.

**Kosovo:** Partly cloudy with fog in the morning. Highs in the upper 60s to lower 70s, Monday lows in the mid to upper 40s.

**Norway:** Mostly cloudy with rain and gusty winds. Highs in the lower to upper 50s, Monday lows in the upper 30s to upper 40s.

**Portugal, Spain:** Sunny to partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s to lower 90s, Monday lows in the mid 50s to mid 60s.

**Turkey:** Sunny, partly cloudy. Highs in the lower 70s to lower 90s, Monday lows in the lower 50s to mid 60s.

## AFRICA

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Dakar	HI 69	LO 59	Nairobi	HI 83	LO 73
Freetown	HI 86	LO 76	Rabat	HI 81	LO 71
Harare	HI 86	LO 76	Tripoli	HI 81	LO 71

## THE WORLD

Amsterdam	HI 64	LO 54	Manila	HI 92	LO 74
Bangkok	HI 88	LO 78	Mexico City	HI 70	LO 55
Beijing	HI 62	LO 42	Montreal	HI 65	LO 41
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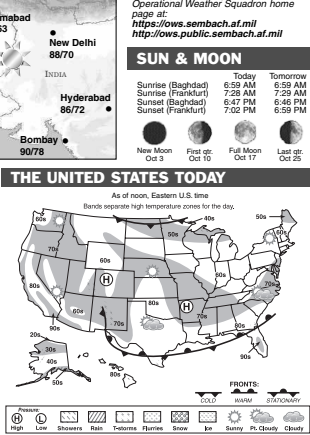
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EXPLORING A FUTURE OF EXCELLENCE



## Ansbach cruises to 19th straight

BY RUSTY BRYAN

Stars and Stripes

HOHENFELS, Germany — Running back James Esters ran for 166 yards and three touchdowns Friday night as the Ansbach Cougars downed the Hohenfels Tigers 50-13 in a battle of previously unbeaten teams.

Quarterback Brandon Bachtel had a TD pass and a scoring run, and Mike Ewing returned a fumble 33 yards for a score as the Cougars won their 19th straight game.

"I didn't think I was running that fast," Ewing said after he scooped up a third-quarter fumble near the right sideline and sprinted into the end zone, "but I guess I was running fast enough. I didn't know I had scored until people started congratulating me."

Ewing's return gave the Cougars a 32-0 lead in the opening Division III-C game for both teams.

The Cougars built a 26-0 halftime lead on TD runs of 41, 5 and 15 yards by Esters. Bachtel also hit tight end Russell Bailey for a 65-yard score.

The Cougars spent the rest of the game trying to avoid ending the game via DODDS-Europe's 40-point mercy rule.

"I'd hate to mercy-rule this team," fretted Ansbach head coach Marcus George as the score mounted. "I started the program at that school."

George, who has led Ansbach to back-to-back titles, took the Tigers to a European title in 1997.

The task of keeping the score down got more complicated after Dameron Outley raced 30 yards for the TD that made it 38-0, but Ansbach ensured the PAT kick attempt failed.

"It hurts me because I'm trying to make All-Europe as a kicker, too," said Ewing, "but I take a hit for the team."

Hohenfels quarterback J.P. Parks got the Tigers on the board with a 23-yard strike to Junior Washington. But Taurean Moore returned the Hohenfels kickoff 72 yards to the Hohenfels 10. Freshman Dominique Whaley ran it in from there.

Parks hooked up with Washington again for a 24-yard score that got the game into the fourth quarter. But Bachtel ran in from 68 yards out for Ansbach's final score on the night.

"I just followed my blockers," said Bachtel. "It set up perfectly."

Ansbach (3-0 overall, 1-0 in III-C) returns to nonconference play Saturday when the Cougars host Vilsack of Division II.

Hohenfels (2-1, 0-1) travels to Vicensa on Saturday for its final conference game of the season.

In Saturday's games involving Division III teams:

**AFNORTH 36, Brussels 20:** At Brussels, AFNORTH got a pair of TD passes from Bryant Blankenship, one to Ian Waters and the other to Steve Miller,

### Division III football

#### Missing results

Results of the Bamberg at Rota football game had not been called in by press time.

and 118 yards on 25 carries from Jarred Waters in winning its second game in a row.

Kyle Winn added 73 rushing yards for AFNORTH (2-1).

Brussels (1-2, 0-2) was led by Matt Parker with 67 rushing yards on 16 carries.

**Baumholder 41, Alconbury 0:** At RAF Alconbury, England, the Bucs rode Ralsad Taylor, Tyrone Bayne ran a fumble recovery 20 yards for the clinching touchdown.

Taylor gained 100 yards on just five carries and scored from 68 and 3 yards out.

Carl Roberts, Antonio Mouzon and T.J. Whaley each ran for TDs, and Baumholder (2-1, 1-0) closed out the game with Tyrone Bayne ran a fumble recovery 20 yards for the clinching touchdown.

**Vicensa 13, Sigonella 12:** At Vicensa, quarterback Robert O'Doherty plunged in from the 1-yard line, and Patrick Bailey booted the game-winning point as the Cougars rallied for a fourth quarter for a nonconference victory.

Vicensa led 6-0 at halftime on a 32-yard fumble return for a TD by freshman Darryl Alexander, but the Jaguars went into 12-6 after intermission on a 20-yard scoring run by fullback Jade Garth and an 8-yard TD run by K.J. Jones.

Garth had 95 yards on 14 carries.

O'Doherty was 12-for-24 for 178 yards passing.

Eric Lain led the ground game for Vicensa (2-1 overall) with 132 yards on 18 carries.

Sigonella got an interception and sack from Kelly Lamb.

**Giesen 28, Kaiserslautern 14:** At K-town, Athletes ran for a pair of TDs as the Griffins (1-2) scored for the first time this season.

Piacers scored on 3- and 25-yard runs to put Giesen up 16-6. Tim Hill then added a 20-yard TD run, and quarterback LaQuon Hargrove closed out the scoring with a 65-yard pass play to Chris Lavon.

**Menwith Hill 40, Lakenheath 14:** At Menwith Hill, Shawn Adams ran five times for 110 yards and three TDs, and brothers Mike and Matt Bailey accounted for three scores in the nonconference game.

Adams scored on runs of 10, 11 and 32 yards. Senior Mike Bailey plunged in from a yard out, and freshman brother Matt returned an interception 40 yards for one score and ran 3 yards for another.

Mike Bailey finished the game, which ended at halftime, with 106 yards on seven carries.

# SCOREBOARD

## AFN TV & Radio

### Sunday

**AFN-Sports, 1:45 a.m.** — College football: Auburn at Tennessee.  
**AFN-Sports, 2 a.m.** — College football: Purdue at Notre Dame.  
**AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.** — Golf: World Golf Championship, American Express Championship (first round) (in progress).  
**AFN-Sports, 12:30 p.m.** — Boxing: Felix Trinidad (41-1) vs. Ricardo Mayra (27-4) (mid-card).  
**AFN-Sports, 2 p.m.** — Baseball: Anaheim at Cleveland.  
**AFN-Radio, 7 p.m.** — NFL: Indianapolis at Jacksonville.  
**AFN-Pacific, 7 p.m.** — NFL: N.Y. Giants at Green Bay.  
**AFN-Radio, 8 p.m.** — NFL: Philadelphia at Chicago.  
**AFN-Sports, 8 p.m.** — Auto racing: NASCAR Nextel Cup. EA Sports 500.  
**AFN-Radio, 10 p.m.** — NFL: Tennessee at San Diego.  
**AFN-Pacific, 10 p.m.** — NFL: Atlanta at Carolina.  
**AFN-Radio, 10 p.m.** — NFL: New Orleans at Arizona.

### Monday

**AFN-Sports, 12 a.m.** — NFL or Baseball: Texas (T) (in) in progress).  
**AFN-Atlantic, 1 a.m.** — Baseball: Teams TBA.  
**AFN-Sports, 2:30 a.m.** — NFL: St. Louis at San Francisco.  
**AFN-Radio, 3:30 a.m.** — NFL: St. Louis at San Francisco.  
**AFN-Pacific, 9:30 a.m.** — Golf: World Golf Championship, American Express Championship (second round) (in progress).  
**AFN-Sports, 2:30 p.m.** — WNBA: Conference Finals (Game 15-16).  
**AFN-Sports, 6:30 p.m.** — Auto racing: NFL: Toyota (T) 400 (in).

All times Central European time; ET indicates delayed broadcast. All listings are subject to change. Some radio broadcasts not available in all areas. Visit [www.afn.net](http://www.afn.net) for more information.

## Pro football

### NFL

AMERICAN CONFERENCE													
	W	L	T	Pct	PP	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PP	PA
New England	2	0	0	1.000	59	38		2	0	0	1.000	59	38
N.Y. Jets	2	0	0	1.000	65	36		2	0	0	1.000	65	36
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	59	38		1	0	0	1.000	59	38
Miami	0	3	0	.000	23	46		0	3	0	.000	23	46
South													
Jacksonville	1	0	0	1.000	55	38		1	0	0	1.000	55	38
Indianapolis	2	0	0	1.000	70	29		2	0	0	1.000	70	29
Carolina	1	0	0	1.000	59	38		1	0	0	1.000	59	38
Tennessee	2	0	0	1.000	65	36		2	0	0	1.000	65	36
North													
Baltimore	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
Cleveland	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
Pittsburgh	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
Cincinnati	1	2	0	.333	59	54		1	2	0	.333	59	54
West													
Denver	2	0	0	1.000	63	44		2	0	0	1.000	63	44
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	63	44		2	0	0	1.000	63	44
San Diego	2	0	0	1.000	63	44		2	0	0	1.000	63	44
Kansas City	2	0	0	1.000	62	45		2	0	0	1.000	62	45
NATIONAL CONFERENCE													
	W	L	T	Pct	PP	PA		W	L	T	Pct	PP	PA
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Dallas	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
N.Y. Giants	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
Washington	2	0	0	1.000	66	42		2	0	0	1.000	66	42
South													
Atlanta	3	0	0	1.000	61	39		3	0	0	1.000	61	39
New Orleans	1	0	0	1.000	61	39		1	0	0	1.000	61	39
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	61	39		2	0	0	1.000	61	39
Tampa Bay	2	0	0	1.000	61	39		2	0	0	1.000	61	39
North													
Minnesota	2	0	0	1.000	72	46		2	0	0	1.000	72	46
Detroit	2	0	0	1.000	67	61		2	0	0	1.000	67	61
Chicago	2	0	0	1.000	67	61		2	0	0	1.000	67	61
Cleveland	2	0	0	1.000	67	61		2	0	0	1.000	67	61
West													
Seattle	3	0	0	1.000	65	13		3	0	0	1.000	65	13
St. Louis	2	0	0	1.000	65	13		2	0	0	1.000	65	13
Oakland	2	0	0	1.000	65	13		2	0	0	1.000	65	13
San Francisco	0	3	0	.000	40	26		0	3	0	.000	40	26

### Sunday's games

Oakland at Philadelphia  
 Philadelphia at Chicago  
 N.Y. Giants at Green Bay  
 Cincinnati at Pittsburgh  
 New England at Buffalo  
 Indianapolis at Jacksonville  
 Cleveland at Cleveland  
 New Orleans at Arizona  
 Atlanta at Carolina  
 N.Y. Jets at Miami  
 Tennessee at Tampa Bay  
 Denver at Tampa Bay  
 St. Louis at San Francisco  
 Oakland at New England  
 Tampa Bay at Minnesota  
 Dallas at Dallas  
 Kansas City at Baltimore  
**Monday's game**  
 Detroit at Atlanta  
**Sunday, Oct. 10**  
 N.Y. Giants at Dallas  
 Oakland at Indianapolis  
 Minnesota at Houston  
 Cleveland at Pittsburgh  
 Tampa Bay at New Orleans  
 Buffalo at N.Y. Jets  
 Jacksonville at San Diego  
 St. Louis at Seattle  
 Arizona at San Francisco  
 Cincinnati at Denver  
 Baltimore at Washington  
 Green Bay at Kansas City  
 Philadelphia at Chicago  
**Monday, Oct. 11**  
 Tennessee at Green Bay

## Auto racing

### EA Sports 500 lineup

**NASCAR Nextel Cup**  
**After Friday qualifying race Sunday at Talladega, Ala.**  
**Friday, Oct. 4**  
**Car number in parentheses**  
 1. (1) Ricky Rudd, Chevrolet, 50,202 seconds, 109.749 mph.  
 2. (10) Jeff Green, Chevrolet, 50,202 seconds, 109.749 mph.  
 3. (8) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 50,202 seconds, 109.749 mph.  
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### Failed to qualify

44. (51) Kevin Leape, Dodge, 53,376.  
 45. (27) Kirk Sheldermire, Dodge, 53,376.  
 46. (40) Carl Long, 53,377, 179,571.

## College football

### Friday's games

**EAST**  
 Kentucky 7, Duke 6  
 Dickinson 17, Johns Hopkins 7  
 Rowan 35, College of N.J. 20  
 S.C. Connection 6, Assumption 0  
**FLORIDA**  
 UConn 28, New Mexico 9  
**WEST**  
 Utah 28, New Mexico 9

### Frida's Top 25 summary

No. 14 Utah 28, New Mexico 7

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Utah—Smith 3 run (Borreson kick), 2:34

Utah—Fulbright 63 punt (Borreson kick), 10:01

**Second Quarter**

Utah—Warren 7 run (Borreson kick), 12:14

Utah—Smith 6 run (Borreson kick), 14:42

**Fourth Quarter**

Utah—Savoy 10 run (Borreson kick), 12:06

**Utah**

First downs 24

Rushes-yards 37-228

Passes-yards 12-124

Comp.-Att.-Int. 12-19-2

Punts-Avg. 4-41

Fumbles-Lost 1-1

Penalties-Yards 3-17

Time of possession 24:21

**INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS**

**Rushing—Utah:** Ganthier 22-108, Johnson 12-59, Warren 6-23, Savoy 2-22, Koyechuk 1-12, Smith 1-14, LaTendresse 3-25, Team 1-12, New Mexico: 7-25, 3-13, Ferguson 3-15, Brady 2-8, Carter 1-4, McKamey 1-12.

**Passing—Utah:** Smith 12-14-1, McKamey 1-12, New Mexico: McKamey 7-25, 3-13, Brady 2-8, Carter 1-4, McKamey 1-12.

**Receiving—Utah:** Savoy 11-156, Warren 2-24, Smith 1-12, LaTendresse 1-5, New Mexico: 4-25, 3-13, Carter 1-3, Hull 1-2.

## Basketball

### WNBA playoffs

#### CONFERENCE FINALS

##### (Best-of-three)

##### EASTERN CONFERENCE

##### Connecticut vs. New York

##### Sunday, Oct. 3

##### New York at Connecticut

##### Tuesday, Oct. 5

##### New York at Connecticut

##### WESTERN CONFERENCE

##### Seattle vs. Sacramento

##### Friday, Oct. 1

##### Sacramento at Seattle

##### Saturday, Oct. 2

##### Sacramento at Seattle

##### Sunday, Oct. 3

##### Sacramento at Seattle

##### Monday, Oct. 4

##### Sacramento at Seattle

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# Hobbled Malone not ready to play or end his career

The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — Karl Malone told the Los Angeles Lakers he's not ready to play, but he didn't rule out returning sometime this season or beyond.

"Karl's not playing, but he's also not retiring," Malone's agent, Dwight Manley, said Friday. "He's leaving his options open. Nothing's carved in stone."

"He will be 100 percent physically in the next couple months and his skills are obviously still great. He still could play this year. Anything's possible — the door is still open."

The 41-year-old Malone, the second-leading career scorer in the NBA, underwent arthroscopic surgery on his right knee in late June. Malone opted out of his \$1.65 million contract with the Lakers at the end of the season, making him a free agent. Several teams, including San Antonio, Minnesota and Miami, expressed interest.

Malone and Manley had lunch with Lakers owner Jerry Buss on Thursday to let him know Malone wouldn't be at training camp, but that he wouldn't sign with another team. Buss offered Malone an unspecified job with the Lakers, Manley said.

The Lakers open camp Tuesday. Their first preseason game is Oct. 12, and they open the regular season Nov. 2 at home against Denver.

Manley said if Malone does return to play in the NBA, it will only be with the Lakers. "He doesn't want to move his family," the agent said.

Malone played in 1,144 of a possible 1,444 regular-season games with the Utah Jazz, but missed 40 games with the Lakers — 39 after tearing a knee ligament Dec. 21 against Phoenix.

He returned in March, playing a key role as the Lakers reached the NBA Finals.

## Stojakovic still wants out of Sacramento, but doesn't expect to leave

SACRAMENTO, Calif. — Peja Stojakovic still wants the Sacramento Kings to trade him. Until then, he seems perfectly happy to be back in Sacramento. After a summer in which he became a father, served in the Greek Army and shocked his teammates by asking to leave Sacramento, the NBA's second-leading scorer last season reported to training camp as scheduled Friday.

Stojakovic seemed subdued and excited to see his teammates as they began preparations for their preseason trip to China.

But the forward's thoughts about his future still



Stojakovic

weren't clear after he reiterated his opinion that the Kings would be better off without him — but he also didn't mind staying in Sacramento.

"I'm still standing behind the words I said in August, but I am professional," Stojakovic said. "I have a contract with the Kings, two years, and I'm going to honor that. It just wouldn't be fair for the

city, the organization and for my teammates, who I respect. I'm just going to go out there and play." Stojakovic averaged a career-best 24.2 points and 6.3 rebounds last season, thriving as the Kings' top offensive threat while Chris Webber was sidelined by a serious knee injury. But when Webber returned from an eight-game suspension after the All-Star break, Stojakovic's assertiveness and production declined.

Stojakovic averaged 17.5 points in the playoffs, and the Kings were eliminated by Minnesota in the second round. He skipped the Olympics to rest and to serve his military obligation to his adopted nation — and two months after the season ended, he told the Kings he wanted out.

But Stojakovic gave no reasons for his request, other than a vague declaration that the Kings' chemistry was fractured.

## Knicks president unhappy with S. Anderson

GREENBURGH, N.Y. — New York Knicks president Isiah Thomas made two things clear Friday: He can't stand Shandon Anderson, and he can't find a way to get rid of him.

"I've tried to trade him, and I will continue to try to trade him," Thomas said. "If I would have been lucky, it would have happened."

Anderson, an eight-year veteran small forward, will join the team when training camp opens.

Thomas is trying to find a taker for a player owed \$24 million over the next three seasons — a steep price for a player who hasn't averaged more than 8.7 points over the past four seasons.

## Cavaliers add backcourt depth with L. Harris

CLEVELAND — Lucious Harris signed Friday with the Cleveland Cavaliers, who hope the New Jersey Nets veteran can strengthen a backcourt weakened by injuries last season.

Harris is being counted on as a backup for shooting guard Eric Snow and point guard Jeff McInnis.

# Details of Bryant sex case revealed

The Associated Press

EAGLE, Colo. — Kobe Bryant ignored his accuser's pleas to stop making sexual advances toward her, according to newly released details from the woman's interview with authorities.

In the information made public Friday, the woman told Eagle County Sheriff's investigators that she knew Bryant had heard her appeals "because every time I said 'No' he tightened his hold around me."

Prosecutors eventually charged the NBA star with rape, but dismissed the case last month after the accuser said she wouldn't testify.

The woman met Bryant last summer at the Vail-area resort where she worked as a front desk employee. Their encounter occurred in Bryant's room.

The woman, then 19, said she and Bryant kissed for several minutes before he became aggressive and began groping her.

She said Bryant put both his hands around her throat, bent her over a chair, then removed one hand to pull down her underwear.

"At that point I was just kind of scared and I said 'No' a few times," she told the detectives at the sheriff's office about 12 hours after the incident.

Investigator Doug Winters then asked how she knew that Bryant heard her.

"Because every time I said 'No' he tightened his hold around me," she replied.

She said she cried during the encounter, and was scared he would hurt her.

The woman also said she believed she led Bryant to believe she wanted him to hug or kiss her — she said she thought he was "going to try and make a move on me" — but she did not intend to have sex with him.

During his interview with detectives, Bryant said the woman

told him she had hoped he would have sex with her, according to the transcript released Friday.

He is the woman never cried and he repeatedly told detectives the sex was consensual. He also said she gave him a kiss goodbye before she left his room.

Several times during the questioning, Bryant asked detectives whether the woman wanted money from him.

The woman filed a federal lawsuit against Bryant seeking unspecified damages for pain and suffering she says she has suffered since the incident. No trial date has been set.

Several news organizations including The Associated Press had requested access to the sealed case files, including evidence and witness statements. More will be released late next week by the prosecution once the woman's name and some of her personal history is redacted.

No physical evidence was made available to reporters.



Through 54 holes of the \$7 million American Express Championship, Ernie Els leads the field in birdies (17) and putts per round (25.7). The South African shot 4-under 68 Saturday.

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# Els leads global charge in AmEx

The Associated Press

THOMASTOWN, Ireland — Ernie Els held off some early charges on a blustery Saturday and shot 4-under 68 to finish where he started — with a two-stroke lead in the American Express Championship and in great shape to capture his first World Golf Championship title.

It was only fitting that Els was atop the leader board at Mount Juliet.

The most global player in golf is being chased by a slew of internationalers, from Thomas Bjorn to Padraig Harrington, from David Howell to Retief Goosen.

The lone American among the top seven was British Open champion Todd Hamilton, who grew up in Illinois but earned his keep for a dozen years in Asia.

All of them will be chasing Els, who appears to have fully recovered from his post-major funk in which he nearly won all four of the Grand Slam events and came away with a runner-up.

Els bounced back from a bogey on No. 9 — his only bogey of the third round — with back-to-back birdies in the forecast, and he picked up another shot on the 17th, and had a 20-foot birdie putt catch the lip on No. 18.

He was at 15-under 201 and had a two-shot lead over Bjorn, who shot 66.

The final round will be played in threesomes Sunday because of nasty weather in the forecast, and the Irish fans won't need Tiger Woods around to see a dramatic conclusion.

Woods nearly holed out from 250 yards on the 18th hole, then missed the 10-foot birdie putt and had to settle for his second

## Golf roundup

straight 70, leaving him seven shots behind.

Bjorn walked off the course the last time he was in Ireland — in the European Open in early summer — but felt his game slowly turning around. Proof of that came Saturday in gusts up to 25 mph, when he was flawless for the first seven holes and never dropped a shot.

The biggest chasers might be for Harrington, who birdied six of his first 10 holes and wound up with a 66. He was at 12-under 204, along with Hamilton (69) and Howell of England (66).

Darren Clarke posted the best round of the day (65), leaving him in the large group at 208 that included Woods, Zach Johnson and Lee Westwood.

## Pate, Frazar take lead in Southern Farm Bureau Classic

MADISON, Miss. — Steve Pate capped a 7-under 65 with two birdies and shared the lead with Harrison Frazar after two rounds of the Southern Farm Bureau Classic.

Pate, who hasn't won on the PGA Tour in six years, was at 12-under 132.

Frazar, who had two eagles in a 67, started the round tied for the lead with John Senden and Glen Day. Chris Kirk shot 63 and tied at 133 with Senden (67) and Patrick Sheehan (68). Day shot 70 and was in a group of seven three strokes behind the leaders.

David Duvall finished at 1-under and missed the cut for the fifth time in seven events.

# No. 14 Utah beats N. Mexico

BY PETE HERRERA

The Associated Press

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. — Albuquerque Alex Smith ran for two touchdowns and Steve Savoy caught 11 passes for 150 yards in Utah's 28-7 victory over New Mexico on Friday.

The 14th-ranked Utes (5-0, 2-0 Mountain West Conference) won their nine straight and have their best record after five games since 1994.

New Mexico (2-3, 0-1) beat Utah 47-35 last year — the Utes' last loss — but this time the Lobos were shut down by Utah's

quick defense. New Mexico's only score came on Gabriel Fulbright's 68-yard return of a fumble by Smith with 10 seconds left in the first quarter.

Fulbright's touchdown was on a questionable no-call. Smith was hit by defensive end Michael Tushy while attempting to pass. Smith's arm was going forward, but the officials didn't whistle the play dead.

Utah outgained New Mexico 466-157 and the Lobos had more punts (14) than first downs (eight).

Smith was 14 of 28 for 167 yards and threw his first interception in 116 passes.



# Keeping up with Colts could be tough for Jags

BY DAVE GOLDBERG  
The Associated Press

The Jacksonville Jaguars managed to go 3-0 despite scoring only 35 points.

With Indianapolis coming to town Sunday, the Jaguars might need 35 just to keep pace with Peyton Manning.

## NFL picks

Despite the Jaguars' record, the Colts are favored by 3½ points in an early showdown for first place in the AFC South (Jacksonville is a game ahead). Indianapolis is one of an unusual high 10 road teams favored

this week.

On paper, the Jaguars don't match up well. Their strength is stopping the run with two young defensive tackles, Marcus Stroud and John Henderson. The Colts can run: Edgerrin James is fourth in the NFL in rushing.

But in a 45-31 victory Sunday over the Packers, the Colts passed 22 times and didn't run once in the first quarter, getting three quick touchdown passes from Manning. Jacksonville has allowed just 28 points all season; the Colts scored 21 in less than 11 minutes last week.

Two of the Jaguars' victories, against Buffalo and Tennessee, came on touchdowns in the final seconds. In the other win, Denver's Quentin Griffin fumbled with 37 seconds left and the Broncos within range of a winning field goal.

But Manning plus James, Marvin Harrison, Reggie Wayne and Brandon Stokley might be a little too much to defend.

**COLTS, 35-24.**

New England (minus 5½) at Buffalo: The Patriots got their 15th straight win, which would tie the NFL record. They lost 31-0 in Buffalo last year, then beat the Bills 31-0 at home. So ... **PATRIOTS, 31** ... **NO, 22-7.**

Kansas City (plus 5) at Baltimore: Monday night. "It would be fun to turn around one season on a Monday night because all the experts have



Peyton Manning

probably already written us off," Dick Vermeil said. Desperation CAN equal victory. ... **CHIEFS, 20-19.** Atlanta (plus 3½) at Carolina: The Falcons may look like to be this year's 2003 Panthers. Not yet. ... **PANTHERS, 20-15.**

Philadelphia (minus 8½) at Chicago: The Eagles are the only team with three double-digit wins. That won't change this week. ... **EAGLES, 34-7.**

New York Giants (plus 7) at Green Bay: Will Michael Strahan lay off Brett Favre because the quarterback decided to give the defensive linemen the sacks record in 2001? ... **PACKERS, 24-20.**

Denver (minus 3) at Tampa Bay: The Bucs are reverting back to their first two decades as losers. ... **BRONCOS, 16-7.**

New York Jets (minus 5) at Miami: The Jets are rested, the Dolphins punishes. ... **JETS, 20-2.**

Oakland (minus 2½) at Houston: The Raiders were wise to sign Kerry Collins. ... **RAIDERS, 23-17.**

Tennessee (minus 3) at San Diego: Expect Steve McNair to play. ... **TITANS, 21-13.**

New Orleans (minus 3) at Arizona: The Cardinals try, but they're still the Cardinals. ... **SAINTS, 17-10.**

Cincinnati (plus 4) at Pittsburgh: Ben Roethlisberger and Carson Palmer: QBs of the future. ... **STEELERS, 17-9.**

St. Louis (minus 3½) at San Francisco: The Rams won't have to try a squib kick against the puntless 49ers. ... **RAMS, 24-13.**

Washington (minus 2½) at Cleveland: The Browns have lost to the Cowboys and Giants in a sour tour through the NFC East. And they haven't played the Eagles yet. ... **REDSKINS, 17-6.**

Last weeks 4-9-1 (spread, 9.5 straight up). Season: 24-21-1 (spread, 34-12 (straight up)).

# 'Front Row Joe' back at Talladega

BY MIKE HARRIS  
The Associated Press

TALLADEGA, Ala. — Joe Nemechek wasn't surprised to be back at the front of the field, just that it took so long to get there.

Nemechek, who earned the nickname "Front Row Joe" when he won six poles from 1997-00, got No. 7 on Friday in qualifying for the EA Sports 500 at Talladega Superspeedway, the track where his last pole came four years ago.

"We've been right on top of our game," Nemechek said. "You know, it's about the car in qualifying. The car has got to be right and the engine has got to be right."

"When the race comes, that's when the driver makes a difference."

After getting his No. 01 Chevrolet around the steeply banked 2.66-mile oval at 190.749 mph, Nemechek shook his head when he reminded his last pole came here on Oct. 13, 2000, 133 races ago.

"That's a long time," Nemechek said. "They're just so hard to get. The competition's so tough. But we've been so close this year, doing a good job. We've had two outside poles and I felt like this was close."

Ricky Rudd was second in a Ford at 190.699, followed by Dale Jarrett's Taurus at 190.374 and Scott Riggs, Nemechek's MBV/MB2 Motorsports teammate, at 190.310.

The rest of the top 10 was made up of drivers who are part of NASCAR's new 10-driver, 10-race playoff-style championship.

Series leader Jeff Gordon, winner of NASCAR's last two races at Talladega and Daytona, the two tracks where NASCAR requires horsepower-sapping carburetor restrictor plates, had a solid fifth-place run. That set up his chance to match the late Dale Earnhardt on Sunday as the only driver to win three plate races in a season.

Gordon will go into the race, the third in the championship showdown, with a one-point lead over Kurt Busch, who qualified eighth at 189.676.

In between, were Elliott Sadler at 189.752 and defending champion Matt Kenseth at 189.710, with Jeremy Mayfield ninth at 189.526 and Dale Earnhardt Jr. rounding out the top 10 at 189.481.

The other title contenders were farther back in the 43-car field, with Jimmie Johnson 16th, Mark Martin 17th, Ryan Newman 19th and Tony Stewart 30th. The younger Earnhardt, who has won four of the last five races at Talladega and finished second to Gordon here in April, said qualifying doesn't mean too much on the track, where cars race two- and three-wide in huge packs and move up and back through the field as the race progresses.

# Panthers focus on slowing Vick

BY JENNA FRYER  
The Associated Press

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Mike Minter was walking off Carolina's practice field when a pest control officer stopped him to point out a squirrel he had caught.

"I spent two hours chasing this squirrel," he told the Panthers' safety. "If I can catch him, I know you guys can catch Michael Vick."

Minter politely chuckled, all too aware of the running joke in Charlotte: No Carolina Panther has ever tackled Vick.

Of course it's not true. The Atlanta quarterback just makes it seem that way.

In three previous meetings against the Panthers, Vick has almost single-handedly led Atlanta to victory. He's passed for 62 yards and two touchdowns, and run for another 252 yards and two scores.

Embarrassed at what Vick has done against them, especially after his 141 yards rushing last December, the Panthers are tired of being picked on about it.

"A lot of people haven't stopped him, not only us," Minter said. "When we have the opportunity to get him, we've got to get him. And when we get there, we've got to make him pay for running."

"But hopefully, he'll have a sprained ankle to slow him down."



Game time is Central European.

That's about the only thing that will slow that man down."

Vick leads Atlanta into Carolina looking to guide the Falcons to just the second 4-0 start in team history. Atlanta last opened the season this strong in 1986.

Based on his past success against the Panthers (1-1), Vick has to be feeling pretty good about Atlanta's chances. But he's not underestimating Carolina.

"That's a good football team over there, they're the NFC champion," Vick said. "They are a team that you really have to come ready to play. You can't overlook them. It's just going to be whoever comes out and plays better."

The Panthers are hoping a change in the way they defend Vick will change their fortune. They've carefully watched tape of the Falcons' 6-3 victory over Arizona last weekend, noting what the Cardinals did to hold Vick to

68 yards rushing, 115 yards passing and no touchdowns.

Much of the strategy will come down to staying calm and changing Carolina's mind.

"We've just got to stick with our game plan and not take chances," said defensive coordinator Mike Tomlin. "We've got to stick to go with this guy. You can't try to kill him. You've got to try to get him down and keep him in the pocket. He's too good of an athlete to try to make a hit on him. He'll make you miss."

The Panthers have few reasons to be confident they'll succeed in stopping Vick or beating the Falcons.

Atlanta holds a 12-6 series advantage over Carolina, and had a six-game winning streak until the Panthers pulled out a 23-3 victory last September when Vick was sidelined with a broken leg.

As much as he's enjoying his fast start, Falcons coach Jim Mora knows that wins over San Francisco, St. Louis and Arizona aren't an accurate barometer to how good the Falcons are.

"Everyone is trying to make a big deal out of us being 3-0, but the teams we've beaten are a combined 1-5," Mora said. "We are living in the real world. We understand what's going on and that we have to go to Carolina to play the defense. The NFC is coming and we just want to hold up for a little bit in our fourth one."

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# Backs help Lions remain undefeated

## Allen, Jones each rush for 2 TDs in Heidelberg's win at Wiesbaden

Stars and Stripes

WIESBADEN, Germany — Lewis Allen and Chris Jones each rushed for two touchdowns Saturday as Heidelberg defeated Wiesbaden 32-19 in a battle of Division I unbeaten.

Allen carried 25 times for 91 yards, and Jones had 10 rushes for 69 yards for the Lions (3-0), who got 80 yards rushing and 105 passing yards from quarterback T.J. Trice. Trice hit his brother, Nick, with a 35-yard scoring pass for the Lions' other TD.

The Lions' defense did its part, holding Wiesbaden's All-Europe runner Paul Fry to fewer than 25 yards.

Jones was a big part of that effort, with 11 tackles.

Steve Jewell threw a pair of TD passes for Wiesbaden (2-1, 1-1). One of them went to Shannon McCray and the other to Aaron Orr.

In Saturday's other Division I games:

**Ramstein 44, Würzburg 6:** Paul Petersen had one rushing and one receiving touchdown as the host Royals (2-1 overall, 1-1 Division I) romped.

Petersen hauled in a 10-yard pass from quarterback Eric Murray to give the Royals a 27-0 lead in the second quarter.

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Touchdown runs by Mark Stephenson, Greg Anderson and Austin Izzo gave Ramstein a 20-0 first-quarter lead. Würzburg (0-3) got on the board when Iona Teripala hit Daniel Henry with a 25-yard TD pass.

Izzo added a 20-yard field goal to put the Royals ahead 30-6 at halftime.

Ramstein closed the scoring in the third quarter with a 2-yard scoring run by Petersen and a 12-yard dash into the end zone by Rome Winder.

Stephenson led all rushers with 97 yards on 12 carries; Murray added 70 on five attempts.

**Kaiserslautern 22, Lakenheath 13:** The Red Raiders (1-2 overall, 1-1 Div. I) got a 52-yard TD run from Quentin Shawder and a 45-yard TD pass from Danny Morris to Julian Smalls in a victory over the visiting Lancers (1-2, 1-1 Div. I).

Morris added a TD run, and Madison Hayes recorded a safety for Kaiserslautern.

Hayes made 13 solo tackles for K-town.

Isaac Kittle had touchdown runs of 65 and 12 yards for Lakenheath.



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Heidelberg's Lewis Allen blasts through the middle for a 3-yard touchdown against Wiesbaden on Saturday in Wiesbaden, Germany. Allen rushed for two TDs as the Lions remained unbeaten (3-0) with a 32-19 victory.

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## Patch hands Naples first loss of year

Stars and Stripes

VAHINGEN, Germany — David Kennedy broke touchdown runs of 40 and 56 yards Saturday, and Neal Griffin returned a kick-off 90 yards for the decisive TD as Patch stamped previously unbeaten Naples 28-21 in a Division II South conference game.

Kennedy carried 23 times for 162 yards, and quarterback J.D. Lindsay added 72 yards on 11 rushes for Patch (1-2).

Lindsay also completed seven of 11 passes for 116 yards, including a 51-yard TD to Griffin.

Naples (2-1), got 160 rushing yards on 30 carries from Austin Webb, and 110 on 12 attempts by Jason McKechie.

In other games involving Division II teams on Saturday:

**ISB 15, SHAPE 8:** At SHAPE, Philip Lippman tossed a pair of TD passes to lead International School of Brussels (3-0) past SHAPE (2-1).

Lippman hit Andrew Vanderlinb with a 64-yard strike to give ISB a 7-0 first-quarter lead, then found Drew Thiigen with a

### Division II football

38-yarder with 5:52 left in the third to help snap SHAPE's 10-game winning streak.

Lippman was 6-for-17 for 145 yards.

SHAPE took an 8-7 lead 2:26 before halftime on quarterback Sean Corcoran's 2-yard touchdown run and Marvin Combes' two-point conversion.

But the ISB defense, led by Vanderlinb (17 tackles) and Lippman (14 tackles), held SHAPE scoreless in the second half.

**Vilsek 35, Aviano 7:** At Vilsek, Aaron Vernon returned a punt 57 yards for a touchdown, and Derrick Jones had two touchdowns runs to help the Falcons trounce the Saints.

Kevin Mennona and Jamaal Johnson ran for TDs for Vilsek (2-1).

Carl Cephas returned an interception 66 yards for the only score of the day for Aviano (1-2).

**London Central 39, Mannheim 0:** Ray-Ray Bengis rushed for 184 yards and five touchdowns as the Bobcats (1-2) shut out visiting Mannheim (0-3).

Bengis, who carried the ball 18 times, added eight solo tackles and six assists for London Central (1-2).

Foxy Thomas caught two passes for 38 yards, and ran five times for 65 yards and a TD for London Central.

**Bitburg 27, Hanau 22:** At Hanau, fullback Bobby Hernandez (13 carries, 79 yards) broke free up the middle for his second touchdown of the game to provide the winning margin in a nonconference game.

Trey Wilson and Brandon Morales added TD runs for Bitburg (2-1), which forced four turnovers and got a pair of sacks from Everett Grubbs.

Malcom Lane, who rushed 12 times for 56 yards, scored all three TDs for Hanau (2-1).

Lane scored on a 90-yard kick-off return, a 49-yard pass play from Ivan James and a TD run.

Michal Williams made 11 tackles for Hanau.

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# Angels' clubhouse settles on 'glove' as punishment

The Associated Press

ANAHEIM, Calif. — Outfielder Jose Guillen and the Angels have reached a financial settlement to resolve the grievance filed after the team recently suspended him without pay for the rest of the season.

The terms were not disclosed Friday in a statement by Major League Baseball. The sides agreed that Guillen will not rejoin the Angels for the remainder of the regular season.

Guillen was suspended Sept. 26 following his outburst after being removed for a pinch-runner the previous day. The players' union filed a grievance on Sept. 27.

Anaheim beat Oakland 10-0 Friday night to take a one-game lead in the AL West race with two games left. If the Angels win the division, they will have until the end of their playoff opener to decide whether to put Guillen on the postseason roster.

The Angels suspended Guillen, they said the penalty would continue into the postseason if the team advances that far. Guillen hit .294 with 27 home runs and a career-high 104 RBIs in 148 games.

Guillen was pulled for a pinch-runner during a 5-3 victory over Oakland. After he walked off the field as the A's changed pitchers, Guillen tossed his helmet toward the side of the dugout where manager Mike Scioscia was standing and walked to the opposite

side of the dugout. He then slammed his glove.

Scioscia later said the suspension "wasn't a knee-jerk reaction."

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At Boston last Sunday, the Yankees and Red Sox were in a warzone by home plate umpire Dan Woff after Boston pitcher Pedro Astarte was ejected for throwing behind Kenny Lofton.

In the bottom half of that inning, Torre and pitcher Brad Halsey were ejected after Halsey threw a pitch high and tight to Dave Roberts, causing the benches and bullpens to clear.

**TV commentator's criticism angers Cubs**

CHICAGO — WGN-TV analyst Steve Stone met Friday with Chicago Cubs President Andy MacPhail, General Manager Jim Hendry and manager Dusty Baker after the broadcaster questioned managerial strategy and criticized the team's approach.

During a postgame TV show Thursday, Stone wondered about Baker's moves in the 12th inning of a 2-1 loss to the Cincinnati Reds.

Later that night, he went on a talk show on WGN radio and criticized the team for making excuses. WGN and the Cubs are owned by the same company.

Stone, in his 20th year as a Cubs broadcaster, is a former major league pitcher with the Cubs who won the Cy Young Award for Baltimore in 1980 when he went 25-7.

Stone didn't spare his opinion when he was interviewed by WGN-AM radio Thursday.

"You want the truth. You can't

handle the truth," Stone said. "The truth of this situation is an extremely talented bunch of guys who want to look at all directions except where they should really look and kind of make excuses for what happened."

"At the end of the day, boys, don't tell me how rough the water is, you bring in the ship."

Stone went on to say that the Cubs should have already clinched the NL wild card by six or seven games. Instead, after a 5-1 loss to Atlanta on Friday, the Cubs trail by two games with two to play.

Asked Friday about his future, Stone said: "What happened was I had extended conversations with Andy MacPhail, with Jim Hendry and with Dusty Baker at length. And I think we resolved everything. That's pretty much it."

**Judge says man can sell Bonds' 700th home run ball**

SAN FRANCISCO — A judge on Friday declared Steve Williams — the man who ended up buying Barry Bonds' 700th home run ball — the lawful owner, freeing him to sell it immediately.

San Francisco County Superior Court Judge Ronald Quindachy's decision came after a 90-minute hearing, which included six lawyers repeatedly replaying footage of the home run and the scramble for the ball, valued by analysts at more than \$100,000.

"I'm going to sell it as soon as possible," Williams, a 26-year-old mortgage broker assistant from Pacifica, said after the hearing.

Timothy Murphy, a 40-year-old owner from San Mateo, said Williams owned the ball because he had it locked behind his knees while at the mouth of a scum from before Williams' first swing.

Murphy's lawyer, David Kornbluh, said he may still continue with the lawsuit and sue Williams for the ball's proceeds.

**Kids find, return Yankees' playoff tickets**

SUMMIT, N.J. — Talk about temptation; box-seat tickets for New York Yankees playoff games lying on the street.

Not for these young youngsters. They just gave them back to the police.

The tickets belonged to Wachovia bank. Owned by a 16-year-old boy worth \$20,000 there apparently left off a delivery truck Monday are still missing, Wachsbaum bank spokeswoman Fran Drupel said.

Since the tickets — some worth \$2,600 each — are for bank customers, the bank will treat the boys and their parents to a New Jersey Nets game Dec. 10 against New Orleans in its luxury box at the Meadowlands, Durst said.

The Yankees gave the boys and their parents tickets to Thursday night's 6-4 victory over the Minnesota Twins that clinched the AL East title.

## Major League Baseball statistics

Through Oct. 1

### American League

TEAM BATTING

	R	H	RBI	AVG
Anaheim	508	829	318	.268
Boston	561	933	358	.271
Cal	489	818	318	.262
Cleveland	648	1554	581	.275
Seattle	555	913	317	.262
San Diego	559	846	336	.264
Tampa Bay	569	918	347	.268
Toronto	542	862	344	.268
White Sox	529	848	318	.262
Minnesota	549	1078	428	.275
Oakland	528	848	318	.262
Yankees	569	1413	485	.275
Angels	541	706	267	.258

TEAM PITCHING

	W	L	ERA	AVG
Cal	92	57	3.66	.238
Seattle	92	57	3.66	.238
San Diego	89	60	3.71	.241
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# Go home, two to go

## Giants top L.A. to keep NL West hopes alive and forge tie with Houston in wild-card race

BY BETH HARRIS  
The Associated Press

LOS ANGELES — The Los Angeles Dodgers' offense has sputtered recently.

As a result, they're still trying to make the playoffs with two games remaining.

Kirk Rueter pitched seven innings and the Dodgers defeated the Dodgers 4-2 on Friday night, preventing Los Angeles from clinching its first NL West title since 1995.

"Everyone is real anxious to win the game and celebrate and get it over," said Shawn Green, who went 1-for-4 with a strikeout. "We just need to relax and go out and play our game. Early on, we were up there trying to do too much."

The Giants remained tied with Houston, a 4-2 winner over Colorado, in the wild-card race.

"There's no time to savor this," San Francisco manager Felipe Alou said. "The biggest game of the season is tomorrow and the second-biggest one is Sunday."

The Giants seemingly hold an edge in the weekend pitching matchups. The Dodgers will send Elmer Dessens (2-6) against Brett Tomko (11-7) on Saturday, and likely Kazuhiro Ishii (13-7) against Jason Schmidt (17-7) in the series finale Sunday.

"Hopefully we could make Sunday meaningless for us," Green said in the Dodgers' deathly quiet clubhouse. "We battled all year. We're not going to stop now."

J.T. Snow homered and former Dodger Marquis Grissom doubled home two runs for the Giants, who need a sweep of the three-game

series to either force a one-game playoff or win the division based on a 10-9 season record against the Dodgers, depending on how Houston fares.

"We're still trying to win the division. You can't think second place," Grissom said. "If you've still got a chance to win the division, you have to fight for it. And that's what we're doing."

Grissom doubled to the right-field wall with two outs in the second off Jeff Weaver (13-13), giving the Giants a 2-0 lead.

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Marquis Grissom  
Giants outfielder

"We pitched so close to enough to win, but offensively we didn't do enough to win," Dodgers manager Jim Tracy said. "That's something that's been going on the last few days. We didn't mount any run-producing situations."

Dustin Hermanson got three outs for his 17th save.



Barry Bonds yells instructions to a teammate during the San Francisco Giants' 4-2 victory over the Los Angeles Dodgers on Friday night.

Weaver gave up three runs on six hits in seven innings. He struck out five and walked four.

Barry Bonds went 0-for-1 with three walks, including two intentional, giving him 228 this season.

"Next year we have to find a way to stop that or at least cut them in half," Alou said.

"Even Barry says, 'They don't let me play.'"

"Snow homered off Mike Yanez for one out in the eighth for a 4-2 lead, disappointing a sellout crowd of 54,888 that hoped to celebrate a division tie.

"We have confidence every time we step on the field," Snow said.

The Dodgers' last playoff appearance was 1996, when they won the NL wild card but were swept by Atlanta in the first round. In '95, they lost to Cincinnati in the first round in their only other postseason appearance since winning the 1988 World Series.

# Astros go wild, Cubs fade, Padres fold

The Associated Press

HOUSTON — One swing of Jeff Bagwell's powerful bat was all it took. Houston Astros needed to snap out of a dangerous funk.

Bagwell hit a two-run homer and the Astros overcame a sloppy start, remaining in a tie atop the NL wild-card standings with a 4-2 victory over the Colorado Rockies on Friday night.

"Baggy is just awesome," said Craig Biggio, Bagwell's teammate for 14 years. "Nothing he does ever surprises me."

The Astros stayed even with the San Francisco Giants, who beat the NL West-leading Los Angeles Dodgers 4-2 in the opener of a three-game series. Houston, which has won a club-record 16 straight at home, moved two games ahead of the Chicago Cubs, who were lost four straight and lost seven, to finish San Diego's wild-card bid.

Mike Gallo (2-0) ended the victory by getting the last out of the third inning and Brad Lidge got the final out for his 26th. They were two of seven pitchers to hold off the Rockies for Houston's seventh win in eight games.

## NL Roundup

Houston got off to a poor start. Biggio badly misplayed a fly ball to left with two outs in the first, Morgan Ensberg was caught stealing in the second and starter Pete Munell's wild pitch allowed Clint Barmes to score in the third.

"We made mistakes early, but we recovered," Astros manager Phil Garner said. "That's what's going to happen when you play 162 games. You don't like it, but you know it's going to happen."

The Astros got two quick outs to start their half of the inning when Brad Ausmus popped out to first and Jason Alfaro grounded out to short. Biggio walked in the next at-bat, Carlos Beltran doubled and Biggio scored on a wild pitch by Joe Kennedy (9-7) to tie it 1-1.

Baggio followed with his 27th homer. The ball hit the railroad tracks in left center and bounced out of the ballpark onto Crawford Street.

**Bruce S, Cubs 4:** Mike Hampton (13-9) homered off Kerry

Wood (8-9) and Atlanta wrapped up the NL's second seed with its 95th victory, ensuring home-field advantage in the first round of the playoffs.

The Cubs scored three times in the ninth, but their rally fell short. Now Chicago must win the last two games against Atlanta and get lots of help; one more victory by either San Francisco or Houston finishes the Cubs.

Hampton allowed four hits in six innings. His 14th career homer — a two-out, two-run shot — made it 4-1 in the fourth.

**Padres 3, Diamondbacks 2:** The visiting Padres found out between the second and third innings that they were eliminated from wild-card contention. Pinch-hitter Miguel Ojeda hit a two-run homer in the seventh for the Padres, who were knocked out of the playoff race when Houston beat Colorado. Jake Peavy (15-6) struck out 11 in six innings and lowered his ERA to 2.27, best in the NL.

**Phillies 6, Marlins 2:** Jimmy Rollins and Placido Polanco homered, Cory Lidle (12-12) pitched six innings and the host Phillies

secured second place in the NL East.

**Expos 4, Mets 2:** Terrell Sledge hit a tiebreaking RBI double in the eighth inning and visiting Montreal began its final series before the franchise moves to Washington.

Sledge and Brian Schneider each drove in two runs for the Expos, who snapped a five-game losing streak.

**Cardinals 4, Brewers 1:** Rick Ankiel (1-0) beamed Dave Kryzel with a hanging curveball, but won his first game in 3½ years with a four-inning relief stint as the host Cardinals ended a season-high four-game losing streak.

Ankiel, whose career was derailed by record wildness in the 2000 playoffs, hit Kryzel in the sixth and the outfielder sustained a concussion. Ankiel gave up two hits, including a home run by Keith Ginter, in his first victory since April 8, 2001.

**Reds 5, Pirates 1:** At Cincinnati, Barry Larkin homered and got a curtain call in perhaps one of his last games in a Reds uniform. Adam Dunn hit his 46th homer, the fourth-highest total in Reds history.

# L.C. team to get all game cash

BY CANDACE SMITH  
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The group that buys the Montreal Expos will get to keep all concession, advertising and parking money generated from baseball games in the 41,000-seat ballpark that Washington plans to build, along with revenue from the sale of naming rights.

Documents outlining Washington's \$432 million agreement with the Expos were made public Friday, two days the signing.

The city agreed to build the ballpark for \$300.7 million and spend \$65 million to acquire the land along the Anacostia River in the southeast section. In addition, Washington will spend \$165.5 million to construct a minimum 1,100 regular parking spaces, \$13 million to refurbish RFK Stadium and \$40 million to finance the project.

Cropy introduced legislation Friday to have the District of Columbia issue up to \$500 million in bonds to fund the project.

Sanitation Administrator Fenty sent a letter Friday to the District of Columbia Auditor, requesting an independent cost and budget analysis of the stadium. It also asks for a review of the city's master plan for renovation of RFK Stadium, where the team would play its first three seasons.

Fenty plans to introduce competing legislation that would require the team to play at RFK permanently. The Washington Post reported.

"The notion that this is going to cost \$440 million when this is all finished is laughable. This will cost at least \$600 million by inflation and cost overruns that normally are associated with big projects like this," he predicted.

Mayor Anthony A. Williams said such criticism is just "talk."

"We took a very conservative construction expert to do an analysis. We added to that, and then we put a contingency reserve on top of that," Williams said Friday.

Williams says rent on the stadium, and taxes on certain businesses and on stadium tickets and merchandise would cover debt service on the 30-year bonds.

The mayor also contends that development around a new stadium will create jobs and improve facilities in the rundown neighborhood. Fenty wants the auditor to check the deal's impact on the points to Yankee Stadium in New York as an example of neighborhood hopes lost.

That stadium thrives. People come to the baseball games, then they go right home and they never invest any money in the Bronx," Fenty said. "It sits right in the middle of a very rough neighborhood."

Fenty also wants a comparison of recent stadium deals with other cities.

Part of the role of the D.C. Auditor to look at legislation. It is the job of the City Council," Williams said in a statement.

# Angels jump on Mulder, push A's to brink

## Anaheim needs one more win over Oakland to reach postseason

The Associated Press

OAKLAND, Calif. — Bartolo Colon cruised along, refusing to show any emotion until the final out. Then, he quickly found catcher Jose Molina and gave him a huge hug.

The Angels celebrated themselves a playoff team all along, even while they spent the summer playing catch-up, and now — thanks to Colon's big night and plenty of productive bats — they're one win away.

Colon dominated in seven sharp innings while pitching on three days' rest for the third time in his career, and No. 9 hitter Alfredo Amezaga had a grand slam that led Anaheim over the Oakland Athletics 10-0 on Friday night.

Pinch-hitter Andres Galaraga led off the ninth with his 399th homer, his first this season. The Angels got hits from nine players to win for the sixth time in seven games and take a one-game AL West lead over the A's with two to play.

"It means a lot that we're able to get the first one out of the way, but nothing's been won," Colon said. "I have been through it before. Nobody's celebrating. It's not over yet."

Now, Oakland's playoff hopes are in the hands of Barry Zito on Saturday. The A's have reached the postseason the past four years, losing in the first round each time. If the A's win Saturday, everything will come down to the series finale Sunday, the

last day of the regular season, a matchup of Oakland's Tim Hudson and Anaheim's Jarrod Washburn.

"They got the momentum and we've exhausted all of our options," Oakland's Mark Kotsay said. "We know what we have to do."

Colon (18-12), who beat Kenny Rogers at Texas on Monday, won for the fifth time in six starts, retiring 13 of his first 15 batters.

Colon pitched three-hit ball through seven innings, striking out six and walking none. Brendan Donnelly and Ramon Ortiz completed the four-hit, the Angels' 11th shutout.

Mark Mulder (17-8) has pitched so poorly the A's briefly considered skipping his turn and using September callup Joe Blanton instead Friday. But they decided to turn to their "Big Three" pitchers of Mulder, Zito and Hudson for the final weekend — because "they have absolutely been the people who have put this organization on the map," manager Ken Macha said.

But after the Angels' four-run second, Mulder was done and Blanton relieved.

Mulder, who is 0-4 with a 7.27 ERA in his last seven starts, has lost velocity on his fastball and hasn't made it past four innings in his last three starts.

"He was surprised to be taken out. 'I don't have that kind of ego where I don't understand,'" he said. "I didn't struggle out there. It's tough. I love this kind of situations. It's been a struggle. Hopefully, Zito and Huddy will get the wins we need."

**Blue Jays 7, Yankees 0:** At Toronto, Or-

lando Hernandez (8-2), pushed back three days in the rotation because of a tired shoulder, lost his second straight start, allowing five runs, five hits and three walks in three innings as he repeatedly threw soft pitches.

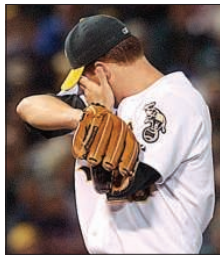
El Duque, who left after 63 pitches and said he had a tired right shoulder, is on track to pitch Game 3 of the playoffs next Friday.

David Bush (5-4) pitched a two-hitter and struck out 11 in his first complete game in 16 major league starts. A day after clinching their seventh straight AL East title, the Yankees started just one regular, Hideki Matsui.

**Twins 4, Indians 3:** At Minneapolis, Corey Koskie homered and hit a go-ahead, two-run single in the eighth. The AL Central champion Twins, 3-7 since clinching, would start the playoffs at home against Boston if they beat the Indians on Saturday and Sunday, and Anaheim and Oakland avoid a sweep in their three-game series. If not, the Twins would open at the Yankees.

**Red Sox 8, Orioles 3:** At Baltimore, Tim Lincecum (12-10) allowed two runs and six hits in six innings for the AL wild-card winner. He had been 0-3 since Aug. 29. Johnny Damon and David Ortiz homered as Boston secured 96 wins for their first time since 1978.

Rodrigro Lopez (14-9) gave up three runs on five hits in 6 1/2 innings. The Orioles (77-82) are assured a seventh straight losing season.



Oakland Athletics' Mark Mulder wipes his brow during the second inning against the Anaheim Angels Friday in Oakland, Calif.

**Devil Rays 4, Tigers 1:** At Detroit, Tampa Bay (69-90) ensured its first season above the AL East cellar. Rob Bell (8-8) pitched a four-hitter and came within an out of his first career shutout before Ivan Rodriguez doubled for his 1,000th career RBI. Mike Maroth (11-13) gave up four runs and seven hits in seven-plus innings.

**White Sox 4, Royals 2:** At Kansas City, Mo., Jon Garland (12-11) allowed two runs and five hits in six innings as Chicago (82-78) clinched third in the AL Central, and Shingo Tomikida got three outs for his 19th save.

# Suzuki's feat gives Japanese fans something to cheer for

The Associated Press

TOKYO — Ichiro Suzuki brought-ended a dismal baseball season in Japan.

His countrymen celebrated Suzuki's record-breaking hit Saturday when the Seattle Mariners outfielder broke George Sisler's 84-year-old major league mark for hits in a season.

Suzuki capped a leadoff single in the first inning against the Texas Rangers at Safeco Field to tie Sisler, then made history with

a grounder up the middle in the third — his 258th hit of the season.

"He's incredible," said Shigeru Uchida, who joined other fans in front of a downtown Tokyo electronics store that was showing the game on TV. "Baseball is America's game and for him to go over there and do that is truly amazing."

It was about noon local time when fans gathered at sports bars throughout the nation's capital

and at the city hall without complaint or fuss, and displays excellence in all areas of the game.

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and manager Shigeo Nagashima suffered a stroke that prevented him from going to Athens.

But Suzuki's assault on Sisler's record, which has been followed down to every last at-bat for the past month, has given Japanese baseball fans something to feel good about.

"There has been a lot of bad news in the baseball world this year," office worker Yutai Sugaya said. "Ichiro has given us a reason to be happy and proud and is living proof that hard work pays off."



Seattle Mariners' Ichiro Suzuki, center, is congratulated by manager Bob Melvin and teammates after getting his record-setting 258th hit.

# Ichiro: Seattle star a 259-hit wonder

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"My father would be delighted," Drochelman said. "He would be so happy to know such a fine young man was doing so well."

Across the Pacific, fans in downtown Tokyo watched Suzuki in sports bars and on big-screen monitors.

The fans at Safeco Field were on their feet when Suzuki left for substitute Hiram Boscchia with two outs in the ninth. Melvin made the move to let Suzuki get one more out, and the right fielder jogged in to cheers.

"I just hope people realize the monumental effort it took to surpass this record, which has stood so long," Molitor said.

Seattle's Ron Villone (8-6) al-

lowed two runs in five innings to earn his second victory as a starter this season. He gave up Mark Teixeira's two-run homer in the first but otherwise pitched well. Texas added an unearned run in the eighth, but it wasn't enough to offset Seattle's 18 hits — 17 of them singles. Bret Boone had three hits and two RBIs, driving in a run to make it 8-3 in the eighth.

After Suzuki's 258th hit, he scored his 100th run of the season when the Mariners batted around in the third, taking a 6-2 lead on six hits. Suzuki batted twice, hitting a long fly that Laynce Nix caught on the run for the third out.

There was a scary moment for Suzuki in the top of the third. The Gold Glove right fielder chased a

foul ball by Ken Huckabay that landed in the stands, and casually hopped up on the low, padded fence — but then lost his balance.

Suzuki felt awkwardly and came down straddling the fence, but was OK.

"Even if I broke a bone there, I was going to get up and play," Suzuki said.

Suzuki's first-inning single was his 919th hit in the majors, breaking the record for most hits in a four-year span. Bill Terry of the New York Giants set the previous record of 918 hits from 1929-32.

Suzuki has 921 hits in four seasons. The 30-year-old Suzuki was a huge star in Japan during his nine seasons with Orix in Japan's Pacific League. He got 1,278 hits playing in his home country, and he left Japan with a .353 hitting average.

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# Seattle's hit-man on target

## Ichiro Suzuki breaks record with 258th hit

BY TIM KORTE  
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SEATTLE — Ichiro Suzuki called it the highlight of his career, the most emotional he has ever been.

Suzuki set the major league record for hits in a season, breaking George Sisler's 84-year-old mark with a pair of early singles in the Seattle Mariners' 8-3 victory over the Texas Rangers on Friday night.

"It was a big relief," the Japanese star said through an interpreter. "I felt like something got off my shoulders. To see the

fans and to see my teammates, it was just a very exciting time for me. It was a very special moment — definitely the highlight of my career."

Suzuki is known for his clinical approach, a methodical hitter who follows the same routine before games and

**Hit kings**  
Single-season hits leaders  
Through Oct. 1

Player	Year	No.
1. Ichiro Suzuki	2004	259
2. George Sisler	1920	257
3. Bill Terry	1930	254
4. Lefty O'Doul	1929	254
5. Al Simmons	1925	253
6. Chuck Klein	1930	250
7. Rogers Hornsby	1927	250
8. Ty Cobb	1911	248
9. George Sisler	1922	246
10. Ichiro Suzuki	2001	242
11. Babe Herman	1930	241
12. Heinie Manush	1928	241
13. Darin Erstad	2000	240
14. Wade Boggs	1985	240

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who does the same peculiar things every time he steps into the batter's box.

During a yoga-like squat to loosen up on deck, he wiggles his shoulders. Then he steps to the plate with a deep breath, holds the bat at arm's length and tugs on his right sleeve with his left hand.

Crack! There's often a hit right after that.

"He's definitely one of the most exciting players I've ever been around," said Seattle hitting coach Paul Molitor, who joined the Hall of Fame this summer.

This season, there have been 259 hits for Suzuki so far, two more than Sisler had for the St. Louis Browns over a 154-game schedule last in 1920. Suzuki did it in his 160th game in 2004.

"It's not over yet," Suzuki said. "We still have two more games."



Seattle Mariners' Ichiro Suzuki hits a single, his 258th hit of the season, in the third inning off of Texas Rangers pitcher Ryan Drese in Seattle on Friday. The hit broke George Sisler's 84-year-old record. Also shown are umpire Joe West and Rangers catcher Ken Huckaby.

The record-breaking single was a bouncer up the middle in the third. Suzuki slapped the pitch from Rangers starter Ryan Drese (14-10) just beyond the range of shortstop Michael Young.

Fireworks exploded after Suzuki's big hit reached the outfield, creating a haze over Safeco Field, and his teammates mobbed him at first base.

"Goose bumps aren't even the right word," Seattle manager Bob Melvin said.

"That second hit almost brought tears to my eyes... If you're talking about sending a guy up for a hit, this guy is the best ever."

Suzuki chopped a leadoff single in the first inning to tie the Sisler's mark, then put himself in the record book. Suzuki added another hit in the sixth, giving him 259 this season and a major league-leading .373 average.

There was a five-minute break when Suzuki made history.

"That's the most emotional I've gotten in my life," he said.

With fans still cheering the record, Suzuki ran to the first-base seats, bowed respectfully and shook hands with Sisler's 81-year-old daughter, Frances Sisler Dorchman, and other members of the Hall of Famer's family.

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